

expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB216 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB225 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB226 PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB239 REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

STATUS: Introduced

SB240 REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: Introduced

SB241 ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

STATUS: Introduced

SB246 STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Introduced

[BACK TO TOP](#)



Joe Weitz Communications & Policy Coordinator
Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
2080 Citygate Drive | Columbus, OH 43219
o: 614.753.4646 | c: 513.405.3839
www.escco.org

Lead when necessary. Support all stakeholders. Share and leverage resources.

Let's Connect! A row of five small, square icons representing different social media platforms: Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube, and another generic social media icon.

This e-mail may contain confidential and/or privileged information and is covered by the Electronic Communications Privacy Act, 18 USC SS 2510-2521. If it does not contain privileged information concerning an ESC employee or student, this e-mail and responses are subject to Ohio public records requests. If you are not the intended recipient (or have this e-mail in error) please notify the sender immediately and destroy this e-mail. Any unauthorized copying, disclosure or distribution of the material in this e-mail is strictly forbidden.

From: report@hannah.com
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 1:15 PM
To: Derksen, Nick
Subject: House Journal Summary - Jan. 16, 2018

House Journal Summary
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH DAY
(Nonvoting Session)
January 16, 2018

INTRODUCED

- HB463** SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FEE INCREASE (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To increase one of the state fees levied on the transfer or disposal of solid waste in Ohio, the proceeds of which are deposited into the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund, and to make an appropriation.
- HB464** STROKE CENTERS AND TREATMENT PROTOCOL (Rep. Scott Lipps, Rep. Nickie Antonio) To provide for recognition of stroke centers and establishment of protocols for assessment, treatment, and transport to hospitals of stroke patients.
- HCR17** WILLIAM O'NEILL - REMOVAL FROM OFFICE (Rep. Niraj Antani) Summoning the Honorable William M. O'Neill, Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio, to appear before the General Assembly and show cause why he should not be removed from office under Article IV, Section 17 of the Ohio Constitution.
- HCR22** SUPPORT ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE (Rep. Brian Hill) To express support for the importance of Ohio's energy resources and energy infrastructure in furthering Ohio's economic development.
- HR318** DISABLED PERSONS-ARMED FORCES SERVICE (Rep. Jonathan Dever) To urge the President and Congress of the United States, and the Secretary of Defense, to authorize the recruitment of individuals with disabilities for service in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- HR324** HONORING HOCKING COLLEGE ARCHERY (Rep. Jay Edwards) Honoring the Hocking College archery team as the USA Archery 3D National Champion.
- HR325** HONORING STEUBENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL-FOOTBALL (Rep. Jack Cera) Honoring the Steubenville High School football team as the 2017 Division IV State Champion.
- HR326** HONORING KEVIN HARDMAN-MUNICIPAL LEADER (Rep. Jonathan Dever) Honoring Kevin Hardman as the 2017 National Municipal Leader of the Year.
- HR327** HONORING BEAVERCREEK HIGH SCHOOL-BOYS SOCCER (Rep. Rick Perales) Honoring the Beavercreek High School boys soccer team as the 2017 Division I State Champion.

- HR328** HONORING UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO FOOTBALL-CENTENNIAL (Rep. Michael Ashford, Rep. Stephen Huffman) Honoring The University of Toledo football team on its Centennial.
- HR329** HONORING NEW BREMEN HIGH SCHOOL-GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (Rep. Keith Faber, Rep. Craig Riedel) Honoring the New Bremen High School girls volleyball team as the 2017 Division IV State Champion.
- HR330** HONORING VERSAILLES HIGH SCHOOL-GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (Rep. Keith Faber, Rep. Stephen Huffman) Honoring the Versailles High School girls volleyball team as the 2017 Division III State Champion.
- HR331** HONORING MINSTER HIGH SCHOOL-GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY (Rep. Keith Faber, Rep. Craig Riedel) Honoring the Minster High School girls cross country team on placing first at the 2017 Division III State Championship meet.
- HR332** HONORING EMMA WATCKE-CROSS COUNTRY (Rep. Keith Faber) Honoring Emma Watcke as the 2017 Division III State Champion in girls cross country.
- HR333** HONORING MARION LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL-FOOTBALL (Rep. Keith Faber) Honoring the Marion Local High School football team as the 2017 Division VI State Champion.
- HR334** HONORING WHEELERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL-FOOTBALL (Rep. Terry Johnson) Honoring the Wheelersburg High School football team as the 2017 Division V State Champion.
- HR335** HONORING NORTH UNION HIGH SCHOOL-AGRONOMY (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) Honoring the North Union High School FFA agronomy team as the 2017 National FFA Agronomy Career Development Champion.
- HR336** HONORING PICKERINGTON HIGH SCHOOL-FOOTBALL (Rep. Tim Schaffer) Honoring the Pickerington High School Central football team on winning the 2017 Division I State Championship.
- HR337** HONORING MINSTER HIGH SCHOOL-FOOTBALL (Rep. Keith Faber) Honoring the Minster High School football team on winning the 2017 Division VII State Championship.
- HR339** HONORING TROTWOOD-MADISON HIGH SCHOOL-FOOTBALL (Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) Honoring the Trotwood-Madison High School football team as the 2017 Division III State Champion.
- HR340** HONORING PAUL IMHOFF-SUPERINTENDENT (Rep. Jim Hughes) Honoring Paul Imhoff on being named the 2018 Ohio Superintendent of the Year.
- HR341** HONORING SUZANNE YENSER-ART EDUCATOR (Rep. Craig Riedel) Honoring Suzanne Yenser as the 2017 Ohio Art Educators' Association's Distinguished Citizen.
- HR342** HONORING JAMIE WALTERS-BEEKEEPER (Rep. Craig Riedel) Honoring Jamie Walters as the 2017 Beekeeper of the Year.
- HR343** WEEK DESIGNATION-PUBLIC EDUCATION WEEK (Rep. David Leland, Rep. Teresa Fedor) Designating Public Education Week in Ohio January 21-27, 2018.

- HR344** HONORING TERRI KOHLRIESER-ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR (Rep. Bob Cupp) Honoring Terri Kohlrieser as the 2017 Ohio Outstanding Assistant Prosecutor of the Year.
- HR345** HONORING THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON-MEN'S SOCCER (Rep. Emilia Sykes) Honoring The University of Akron men's soccer team on securing the 2017 Mid-American Conference Championship.
- HR346** HONORING KRISTIAN KOWALSKI-DIVING (Rep. Mark Romanchuk) Honoring Kristian Kowalski as a 2017 NISCA All-American in diving.
- HR347** HONORING HANNAH STEVENS-BACKSTROKE (Rep. Mark Romanchuk) Honoring Hannah Stevens as the 2017 U.S. National Champion in the 50-meter backstroke.
- HR348** HONORING LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL-BOYS CROSS COUNTRY (Rep. Mark Romanchuk) Honoring the Lexington High School boys cross country team on winning the 2017 Division II State Championship Meet.
- HR349** HONORING VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON-BICENTENNIAL (Rep. Dick Stein) Honoring the Village of Wellington on its Two Hundredth Anniversary.
- HR350** HONORING UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO-FOOTBALL MAC (Rep. Michael Ashford, Rep. Stephen Huffman) Honoring The University of Toledo football team on winning the 2017 MAC Championship.
- HR352** IN MEMORY-BILL HARRIS (Rep. Cliff Rosenberger, Rep. Fred Strahorn) In memory of Bill Harris.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

ARMED SERVICES, VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND SECURITY:

- HB434** LICENSE PLATE-MILITARY SERVICE CROSSES (Rep. Martin Sweeney, Rep. Rick Perales) To create the "Army Distinguished Service Cross," the "Navy Cross," the "Air Force Cross," and the "Coast Guard Cross" license plates.
- HR318** DISABLED PERSONS-ARMED FORCES SERVICE (Rep. Jonathan Dever) To urge the President and Congress of the United States, and the Secretary of Defense, to authorize the recruitment of individuals with disabilities for service in the Armed Forces of the United States.

CIVIL JUSTICE:

- HB446** POWER OF ATTORNEY ACCEPTANCE (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Bill Seitz) Relative to the acceptance of an acknowledged power of attorney.

COMMUNITY AND FAMILY ADVANCEMENT:

- HB448** SIBLING VISITATION RIGHTS & ADOPTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Janine Boyd) To create sibling visitation rights, to make changes to the law regarding sibling placement by a court or agency and sibling relationships when parental rights are terminated, and to extend the sibling relationship beyond adoption.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE:

- HB439** RISK ASSESSMENT-BAIL SETTING (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Tim Ginter) To require courts to use the results of a validated risk assessment tool in bail determinations; to allow nonmonetary bail to be set; to require courts to collect certain data on bail, pretrial release, and sentencing; and to require the state Criminal Sentencing Commission to create a list of validated risk assessment tools and monitor the policies and procedures of courts in setting bail and utilizing pretrial supervision services.
- HB455** DRUG TRAFFICKING OFFENSES (Rep. Scott Wiggam) To provide that in determining the amount of cocaine for trafficking offenses, it also includes a compound, mixture, preparation, or substance containing cocaine, to increase penalties for certain drug trafficking offenses, and to name this act the Drug Trafficking Deterrence Act.
- HB457** OPIATE USE-PAROLE & COMMUNITY CONTROL (Rep. Niraj Antani) To require that an offender serving a community control sanction or a parolee who fails a drug test for heroin, fentanyl, or carfentanil be held in jail or admitted to a residential treatment program for up to 30 days.
- HB461** DELINQUENCY ABEYANCE-CHILD TRAFFICKING (Rep. Teresa Fedor, Rep. Tavia Galonski) To require a juvenile court to hold a delinquency complaint in abeyance if the court has reason to believe that the act charged might be prostitution related or that the child might be a victim of human trafficking and to provide that the same elements for the offense of trafficking in persons that apply to a victim under the age of sixteen also apply to a victim who is age sixteen or seventeen.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, COMMERCE AND LABOR:

- HB433** SPAYING & NEUTERING CREDITS (Rep. Brigid Kelly, Rep. Tom Brinkman) To allow a licensed veterinarian to receive up to two continuing education credits per biennium for performing free spaying and neutering services.
- HB444** SEASONAL FOOD SERVICE LICENSE FEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require a seasonal food service operation license fee to be one-half of the license fee for a food service operation that is not a seasonal food service operation.

EDUCATION AND CAREER READINESS:

- HB438** ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions.
- HB442** SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents.
- HB443** MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES:

- HB460** RIPARIAN BUFFERS-TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Michael Sheehy) To exempt qualifying riparian buffers in the Western Basin of Lake Erie from property taxation, to reimburse local taxing units for resulting revenue losses, and to require soil and water conservation districts to assist landowners with the creation and maintenance of riparian buffers.
- HCR22** SUPPORT ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE (Rep. Brian Hill) To express support for the importance of Ohio's energy resources and energy infrastructure in furthering Ohio's economic development.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT:

- HB432** STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT:

- HB441** TAX RETURN-PREPARED CARD (Rep. Laura Lanese, Rep. Jonathan Dever) To allow the Department of Taxation to provide taxpayers who file electronic returns the option of receiving their income tax refund in the form of a prepaid card.
- HB450** HEALTH INSURANCE MANDATED BENEFITS (Rep. Niraj Antani) To impose review and other requirements on existing health insurance mandated benefits and to establish requirements for the creation of new mandated benefits.
- HB451** CRIME VICTIM PRIVACY PROTECTION (Rep. Wes Rutherford) To exclude from the definition of public record under the Public Records Law any depiction by photograph, film, videotape, or digital, visual, or printed material of victims of crime under specified circumstances dealing with the victims' bodily privacy.
- HB462** FOR-PROFIT HOSPITAL CLOSURE (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Thomas West) To require that a for-profit hospital and its affiliated health care facilities in certain counties follow specified procedures before ceasing operations or closing, and to declare an emergency.
- HCR17** WILLIAM O'NEILL - REMOVAL FROM OFFICE (Rep. Niraj Antani) Summoning the Honorable William M. O'Neill, Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio, to appear before the General Assembly and show cause why he should not be removed from office under Article IV, Section 17 of the Ohio Constitution.
- HJR6** TERM LIMIT AMENDMENTS (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To impose term limits prohibiting a person from holding office longer than eight years in the Ohio Senate, eight years in the Ohio House of Representatives, and more than sixteen years in total in the General Assembly.
- HJR7** PUBLIC SECTOR UNION PROHIBITIONS (Rep. John Becker, Rep. Craig Riedel) Proposing to enact Section 22 of Article I of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to prohibit laws, rules, and agreements that require employees of public sector employers to join or pay dues to an employee organization and to prohibit employee organizations from representing nonmember public sector employees in employment-related matters.

- HJR8** PRIVATE SECTOR UNION PROHIBITIONS (Rep. John Becker, Rep. Craig Riedel) Proposing to enact Section 22 of Article I of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to prohibit laws, rules, and agreements that require employees of private sector employers to join or pay dues to an employee organization and to prohibit employee organizations from representing nonmember private sector employees in employment-related matters.
- HJR9** PUBLIC CONTRACTOR WAGE PROHIBITIONS (Rep. John Becker, Rep. Craig Riedel) Proposing to enact Section 43 of Article II of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to prohibit a public authority from requiring a contractor on a public improvement to pay the contractor's workers the prevailing rate of wages for work performed on the public improvement.
- HJR10** GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS-REQUIREMENT PROHIBITIONS (Rep. John Becker, Rep. Craig Riedel) Proposing to enact Section 2 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to prohibit certain requirements or prohibitions regarding laboragreements in government contracts.
- HJR11** COLLECTIVE BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVE ELECTIONS (Rep. John Becker, Rep. Craig Riedel) Proposing to enact Section 12 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to subject any public employee collective bargaining representative toan annual election to remain certified as the exclusive representative.
- HJR12** PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS-LABOR DUES (Rep. John Becker, Rep. Craig Riedel) Proposing to enact Section 12 of Article XV of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to prohibit dues and other fees payable to an employee organization from being deducted from the payroll check of a public employee and to prohibit those dues and fees from being used for political purposes unless authorized by the public employee.
- SB223** UNSAFE USED TIRES PROHIBITION (Sen. Frank LaRose) To prohibit the installation of unsafe used tires on certain motor vehicles.

HEALTH :

- HB456** OVERTIME REQUIREMENT-NURSING (Rep. Robert Sprague) To prohibit a hospital from requiring a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse to work overtime as a condition of continued employment.

HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT:

- HB449** CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university.

INSURANCE:

- HB440** SINGLE-PAYER HEALTH CARE (Rep. Teresa Fedor, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To establish and operate the Ohio Health Care Plan to provide universal health care coverage to all Ohio residents.

- HB459** WORKERS COMP-SELF-INSURING EMPLOYERS (Rep. Michael Henne) To allow groups of employers to be granted status as a self-insuring employer for purposes of the Workers' Compensation Law.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

HB453 CHARTER COUNTY HOSPITAL RIGHTS (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require that all rights and interests in discoveries, inventions, or patents made by employees using charter county hospital facilities are the property of that charter county hospital.

HB454 UNUSED CEMETERY LOTS-TOWNSHIPS (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Steve Arndt) To require a township to compensate the owner of certain unused cemetery lots and rights which the township reenters after lack of response from the owner.

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY:

HB436 NEIGHBORHOOD STOP SIGNS & SPEED LIMITS (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. David Leland) To permit a local resident, neighborhood association, or neighborhood organization to request the erection of a stop sign at an intersection and to support a request for a lower *prima facie* speed limit on certain streets and highways.

HB437 HIGHWAY DESIGNATION-DAVID CHRISTOFF (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To designate a portion of State Route 65 in Wood County as the "Marine Sgt. David R. Christoff, Jr. Memorial Highway."

HB445 LICENSE PLATE-PATROL SUPPORTER (Rep. Craig Riedel) To create the "Patrol Supporter" license plate.

HB447 LICENSE PLATE-AMARANTH GRAND (Rep. Alicia Reece) To create the "Amaranth Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star" license plate.

HB452 HIGHWAY DESIGNATION-MARC COLE (Rep. Stephen Huffman) To designate a portion of State Route 55 as the "PFC Marc L. Cole Memorial Highway."

SB170 DRIVER'S LICENSES-MILITARY PERSONNEL (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Director of Public Safety to seek approval from the United States Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to implement a temporary pilot program regarding the waiver of the skills test for a commercial driver's license that applies to present and former military personnel.

SB230 LICENSE PLATE-MEDINA COUNTY (Sen. Larry Obhof) To create the "Medina County" license plate.

WAYS AND MEANS:

HB458 DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX PUBLICATION (Rep. Scott Lipps, Rep. Scott Ryan) To provide that, once the initial publication of a county delinquent property tax list is made in a newspaper of general circulation, the second publication of that list may be done online.

The House adjourned until Wednesday, Jan. 17, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. (Voting Session)

© 2018 – You are receiving this email because you are a client of **Hannah News Service, Inc.**

Journal Summaries and Session Agendas

Hannah News Service, Inc.

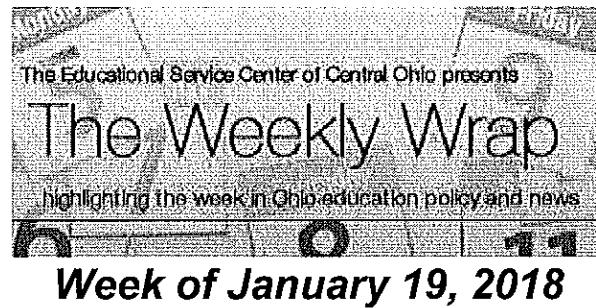
21 West Broad Street, Suite 1000 | Columbus, Ohio 43215
614.227.5820 – office | 614.228.5897 - fax
info@hannah.com | www.hannah.com

The Unmatched Leader of Statehouse News, Information & Research since 1986.

[Capitol Connection](#) | [The Hannah Report](#) | [The Complete Statehouse](#) | [Ohio News Wire](#) | [Focus Education](#) |
[Capitol Monitor](#) | [Book of Lobbyists](#) | [MEMBERADVANTAGE](#) | [Rotunda Insider](#)

From: Joseph Weitz
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2018 9:31 AM
Subject: Weekly Wrap 1/19/18 - A service of the ESC of Central Ohio - Ohio's ESSA Plan

Connect with us!



Week of January 19, 2018

Please let Joe know if you have questions, requests, or would like to be added to the distribution list. Thank you.

JUMP TO A SECTION

FEATURED ITEMS

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

School Finance & Budget

Education & Public Policy

Schools

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Reports

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal/U.S. Department of Education

Education Policy & Finance

Standards & Assessments

Educator Effectiveness

Extended Learning Opportunities

English Learners

School Safety & Discipline

Mental Health & Wellness

Early Learning

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Leadership
International Benchmarking

OHIO LEGISLATION UPDATE

House Bills
Senate Bills

FEATURED ITEMS

OHIO? 9S ESSA PLAN APPROVED – *The U.S. Department of Education officially approved Ohio's consolidated state plan under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The plan includes continued use of the local report card A-F letter grade system, a new report card measure focused on chronic absenteeism and discipline, increased focus on English learners as a subgroup, a decreased "N-size" for subgroup accountability purposes, and more.*

Feds Approve Ohio's ESSA Plan -- Hannah

- Ohio's plan to implement the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was approved Wednesday by the U.S. Department of Education

Ohio's ESSA Plan Wins Federal Approval – and Few Care – Cleveland Plain Dealer

- Though many observers nationally and here in Ohio had hoped states would present grand new visions for schools through the new plans mandated by 2015's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), that hasn't happened. Ohio was among the states taking a different approach

Secretary DeVos Approves Ohio's ESSA State Plan – USDOE

- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos today announced the approval of Ohio's consolidated state plan under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) - ODE

BACK TO TOP

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

BEXLEY CITY SCHOOLS

Barno Takes on Leadership Role for School Board – This Week

- At the Bexley City Schools Board of Education organizational meeting Jan. 8, board members swore in new member Michelle Mineo and elected John Barno as president and Marlee Snowdon as vice president for two-year term

BUCKEYE VALLEY LOCAL SCHOOLS

Construction of New BVLS Buildings Continues – Delaware Gazette

- Buckeye Valley Local School District Superintendent Andrew Miller said construction of the district's two new elementary buildings continues to progress

CANAL WINCHESTER LOCAL SCHOOLS

District Will Launch Internship Program at CWHS – This Week

- Canal Winchester school district officials have set their sights on starting a pilot internship program at the start of the next school year that could eventually involve all high school seniors and possibly juniors as well

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS

Cutting Columbus Superintendent Candidates without Public Vote May Have Violated Law, Expert Says – Columbus Dispatch

- Columbus City Schools officials won't discuss how the school board narrowed a field of 19 superintendent applicants to a secret subset who were interviewed last week without violating the Ohio Open Meetings Act, which requires that all official board decisions be made in open, public meetings

GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Gahanna-Jefferson Board Starts Ball Rolling for May Bond, Levy Issue – This Week

- Residents in the Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools district will likely see a combination bond and operating levy on the May 8 ballot

GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CITY SCHOOLS

Future of Grandview Schools: Group of 11 Will Dissect District Plan – This Week

- A financial advisory committee has begun meeting to help the Grandview Heights City School District parse the details of its proposed plan to repair or replace the district's buildings

GROVEPORT MADISON LOCAL SCHOOLS

Survey Seeks Views on Groveport Madison's Grade Configuration – This Week

- Parents, staff and others in the Groveport Madison school district will be asked to participate in a survey this month to gauge their thoughts on which grades should be placed together in schools

HILLIARD CITY SCHOOLS

'Hilliard Way' Means Working Together for Better – This Week Hilliard Schools Connection

- John Marschhausen, superintendent of Hilliard City Schools, writes that when families make the decision to move to the Hilliard City School District, they enter a community that values relationships and has creativity, passion and heart

OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS

New Olentangy Board Prez Patrick: Teachers Deserve Applause – This Week

- With 15 elementary schools, five middle schools and four high schools, touring all that the Olentangy Local School District has to offer is quite a challenge

Patrick Voted New Olentangy BOE President – Delaware Gazette

- The Olentangy Local Schools Board of Education last week selected outgoing Vice President Mindy Patrick as its president for 2018

Olentangy 3rd Graders Fare Well on State Test – Delaware Gazette

- The preliminary results for the state's 2017 fall third-grade English language arts tests are in, and Olentangy Superintendent Mark Raiff is pleased with how district students performed

Liability, Medical Insurance Costs Up at Olentangy – Delaware Gazette

- Despite concerns about several years of rising costs for the district's property, fleet, and liability insurance, the Olentangy Local Schools Board of Education last week approved a contract with Liberty Mutual for coverage through 2018

REYNOLDSBURG CITY SCHOOLS

District STEMfest Theme Focuses on Sustainability – This Week

- The three-day STEMfest Jan. 3-5 at Reynoldsburg High School's Summit Road campus was all about "sustainability"

SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS

National Initiative Targets Obstacles in Learning – This Week South-Western Subject Matter

- Bradford Faust, assistant superintendent of curriculum at South-Western City Schools, writes that Communities in Schools is a national program that partners with schools to help at-risk students overcome academic and non-academic barriers which often prevent them from graduating from high school

Lessons Bring Out Empathy, Action – This Week

- In past years, students in the sixth-grade literacy class at Park Street Intermediate School have voted to determine some of the organizations that would benefit from the fundraising component of their teen-activism unit. This year, the entire school had a chance to weigh in on the decision

WESTERVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

District Taking Comment on Facilities Recommendations – This Week

- The Westerville City School District is kicking off a community involvement phase as it seeks public feedback about a plan for its oldest facilities

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

State Setting Limits on Courses that Qualify for College Credit Plus – Columbus Dispatch

- As Ohio's College Credit Plus program continues to evolve, the state is working to implement new rules to determine which courses are eligible for the program and how to handle underperforming students

Feds Approve Ohio's ESSA Plan – Hannah

- Ohio's plan to implement the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was approved Wednesday by the U.S. Department of Education

Ohio's ESSA Plan Wins Federal Approval – and Few Care – Cleveland Plain Dealer

- Though many observers nationally and here in Ohio had hoped states would present grand new visions for schools through the new plans mandated by 2015's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), that hasn't happened. Ohio was among the states taking a different approach

Secretary DeVos Approves Ohio's ESSA State Plan – USDOE

- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos today announced the approval of Ohio's consolidated state plan under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

ODE Offers Assistance to Families Affected by ECOT Suspension – ODE

- The Ohio Department of Education has resources available for families and educators affected by the suspension of ECOT by the ESC of Lake Erie West

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio School Finance & Budget

Ohioans Trying to Figure Out School Savings Changes – Columbus Dispatch

- Tucked into the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, a Republican-sponsored tax reform bill passed Dec. 22, was a change to a section of the tax code that refers to college savings, section 529. The change allows individuals to now withdraw up to \$10,000 a year from longstanding 529 college-savings plans to pay for tuition at private or religious K-12 schools

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Education & Public Policy

Only \$500K of \$12M Pot to Replace Lead Fixtures Utilized by School Districts, State Says – Hannah

- School districts have left as much as \$11.5 million from the state's Lead Plumbing Fixture Replacement Assistance Grant Program on the table, state communications officials told Hannah News

House Tax Panel OKs Property Valuation Bills – Hannah

- Legislative proposals to restrict local governments' powers to challenge property values and to delay taxation on increased values for housing developments passed the House Ways and Means Committee on Tuesday, one along party lines and the other in a mixed vote

Betsy DeVos Approves 11 ESSA Plans, Including Ohio's – EdWeek

- The Buckeye State plans to use an A through F grading system to rate its schools. It is considering chronic absenteeism and school discipline data, as well as a "preparation for success" indicator for high schools that incorporates dual enrollment and AP and IB tests

Feds Approve Ohio's ESSA Plan – Hannah

- Ohio's plan to implement the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) was approved Wednesday by the U.S. Department of Education

Ohio Education Still Mired in the Middle on National Report Card – Columbus Dispatch

- Eight years after Ohio's education system ranked fifth best in the nation, the state continues mired in the low 20's on the annual Education Week assessment

DeWine Addresses Career Tech Conference – Hannah

- Attorney General Mike DeWine, speaking at the Career-Technical and Adult Education Legislative Seminar Wednesday, identified education and the drug epidemic as two factors that must be addressed when looking at jobs and pro-growth strategies

State Report Cards: Leaders Get Ball Rolling on Overhaul – This Week

- How data are calculated and translated has turned the annual report card into a lightning rod of criticism from teachers, parents and education officials who question whether the information is understandable or fair, or if it provides an accurate measure of a district's academic performance

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Schools

It's Not Clear Whether Other e-Schools Would Take in All ECOT Students – Columbus Dispatch

- The exact number of students at risk of losing their school should ECOT close stands at 11,780 as of this week, the Ohio Department of Education says, and all of them could theoretically continue to attend a different e-school if they chose to

Sponsor Votes Unanimously to Shut Down ECOT – Columbus Dispatch/Toledo Blade

- After a unanimous vote Thursday night by its sponsor to sever ties, there is literally no tomorrow for the Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Postsecondary & Workforce Development

State Setting Limits on Courses that Qualify for College Credit Plus – Columbus Dispatch

- As Ohio’s College Credit Plus program continues to evolve, the state is working to implement new rules to determine which courses are eligible for the program and how to handle underperforming students

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Reports

Quality Counts 2018: Report and Rankings – EdWeek

- Education Week’s annual state-by-state assessment of public education paints a portrait of middling performance overall with patches of high achievement, along with perennial struggles to improve on the part of states mired at the bottom. This is the first of three data-driven Quality Counts packages this year exploring distinct aspects of the performance of America’s public schools
- Ohio received a “C” grade in the report

[BACK TO TOP](#)

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal & US Department of Education

Prepared Remarks by U.S. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos to the American Enterprise Institute – USDOE

DeVos: Federal Education Mandates Have Failed to Produce Real Change – EdWeek

- The past decade of federal K-12 education redesigns “have not worked out as hoped,” U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos said in a wide-ranging speech at the American Enterprise Institute Tuesday. “Federally mandated assessments. Federal money. Federal standards. All originated in Washington, and none solved the problem. Too many of America’s students are still unprepared”

Supreme Court to Weigh Internet Sales Tax Issue of Interest to Schools, States – EdWeek

- The U.S. Supreme Court on Friday agreed to take up a major case about sales taxes on Internet purchases, one that will have enormous

consequences for the states and for school districts and other local governments

Betsy DeVos Approves 11 ESSA Plans, Including Ohio's – EdWeek

- The Buckeye State plans to use an A through F grading system to rate its schools. It is considering chronic absenteeism and school discipline data, as well as a "preparation for success" indicator for high schools that incorporates dual enrollment and AP and IB tests

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Education Policy & Finance

K-12 a Key Topic for State Legislators as Sessions Gavel to a Start – EdWeek

- All but three states this year will be in full legislative swing by the end of this month, and education policy will be at the top of several governors' agendas with election-year politics and the Every Student Succeeds Act hovering in the background as they go about their business

Making Sense of State School Funding Policy – Urban Institute

- State policy on school funding is complicated both because of the ways the policies are designed and because districts can respond in ways that may counteract state policymakers' goals. This report provides an overview of how state school funding policy works

Quality Counts 2018: Report and Rankings – EdWeek

- Education Week's annual state-by-state assessment of public education paints a portrait of middling performance overall with patches of high achievement, along with perennial struggles to improve on the part of states mired at the bottom. This is the first of three data-driven Quality Counts packages this year exploring distinct aspects of the performance of America's public schools

Report: States Struggle with ESSA's Requirements for Foster Children – EdWeek

- Advocates for children in foster care had good reason to cheer the passage of the Every Student Succeeds Act two years ago. The new law requires schools to break out student achievement data for foster care students so that the public can see how they are doing relative to their peers

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Standards & Assessments

The Promise of Performance Assessments: Innovations in High School Learning and Higher Education Admissions – Learning Policy Institute

- This report looks at how these assessments, which focus on the kind of learning students will need to be successful in our innovation economy, are being used to inform college admission, placement, and advising decisions, as well as how they're being used to leverage deeper forms of learning at all levels. The report describes a number of highly effective k-12 performance assessment systems in the United States and abroad and includes an appendix on current state policies supporting performance assessment. The report also discusses how college curricula and assessments are changing to foster deeper learning, and describes innovative college admission systems using these assessments

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Educator Effectiveness

Teacher Education Group Calls for More High Quality Student Teaching – EdWeek

- The American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education's Clinical Practice Commission released a report today with 10 proclamations on how to better incorporate evidence-based clinical practice in teacher preparation programs

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Extended Learning Opportunities

Governance Structures for Citywide Afterschool Systems: Three Models – FourPoint Education Partners/Wallace Foundation

- A new brief from the FourPoint Education Partners firm, formerly Cross & Joflus, indicates that there is no one-size-fits-all answer. Instead, it describes three models that emerged from research and observation—and that cities can consider

[BACK TO TOP](#)

English Learners

Using Data to Help ELLs Succeed Requires Partnerships, Persistence, Report Argues – EdWeek

- In the new report, New America examines how the state's effort to use longitudinal data could serve as a model for other states seeking guidance

on how to accurately evaluate the academic growth and needs of their English-language learners. New America also praises Illinois' partnership with the Latino Policy Forum, a Chicago-based advocacy group that advises state on English-learner issues

Rising Number of ESL Students Poses Challenges for U.S. Schools – EdWeek

- Almost one in four children in the United States speak a language other than English at home, according to an analysis of national data compiled by the Annie E. Casey Foundation's Kids Count Data Center

[BACK TO TOP](#)

School Safety & Discipline

Public Schools Must Address Disparities in Discipline Rates – Center for American Progress

- New Center for American Progress analysis of these district data uncovered huge racial disparities in the days missed. White students make up 15 percent of the NYCDOE but only account for 8 percent of the days lost due to suspensions. Meanwhile, African American students comprise 27 percent of the district but account for almost half—47 percent—of the days lost due to suspensions. Similarly, African American students account for just 8 percent of LAUSD enrollment but 39 percent of days suspended. The reasons for the suspensions vary in severity, but these racial disparities exist for both minor and serious infractions

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Mental Health & Wellness

Most States Don't Require that Kids Be Checked for Health Issues – Reuters

- Most U.S. states don't require that children be screened for health conditions that can affect learning, according to new research supported by the Children's Health Fund (CHF)

Missed Opportunities – Children's Health Fund/PLOS ONE

- The purpose of this report is to build on the scholarly research referenced above, and to create an individual score to measure each state's school health screening and examination policies. The scores are based on the school health examination requirements which were identified for each state and place a particular emphasis on the HBLs identified above

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Early Learning

Suspensions Are Not Support: The Disciplining of Preschoolers with Disabilities – Center for American Progress

- This report presents a new analysis—detailed in the appendix—highlighting the prevalence of suspensions and expulsions among young children ages 3 to 5 attending early childhood programs. It also provides background on these exclusionary disciplinary practices; presents analysis of recent nationally representative data; and explains the consequences of expulsions and suspensions for all children, specifically children with disabilities. Finally, it provides recommendations to ensure that all young children—particularly those with disabilities—reap the full benefits of early learning

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

500,000 Top Students a Year Fail to Complete College – Columbus Dispatch

- Of the 1.5 million students in the top half of their high-school class in any given year, 500,000 of them will never finish college or earn any kind of postsecondary certificate, according to a new study by the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce

The Forgotten 500,000 College-Ready Students – Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce/YouTube

- Among the 1.5 million students who are in the top half of their high school class, more than 500,000 do not complete a postsecondary certificate or college degree

Unprepared and Confused – Inside Higher Ed

- A new study says students don't feel confident they can find a job or succeed when they land one

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Leadership

Unlocking Potential: How Political Skill Can Maximize Superintendent Effectiveness – Center on Reinventing Public Education

- What are the characteristics of effective school district superintendents, and how can they best use their power and influence to accomplish their goals? This paper explores what makes a successful superintendent and offers

guidance for current and aspiring district leaders as well as those offering superintendent training programs

[BACK TO TOP](#)

International Benchmarking

How High the Bar? – National Superintendents Roundtable/Horace Mann League

- How High the Bar? is a joint project of the National Superintendents Roundtable and the Horace Mann League. The report sheds light on common school accountability benchmarks in the United States, asking how well students in other nations would perform if they were held to the benchmark of "proficient" in the National Assessment of Educational Progress or to Common Core measures of "career and college readiness"

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

HOUSE

HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out

HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out

HB14AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB21COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments

STATUS: (Passed by House) Referred to Senate Education Committee

HB37SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB40GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB47STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB49OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017

HB51DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB53PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent

public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB58CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

STATUS: Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Reported out

HB66TENURED TEACHING REQUIREMENTS (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 86-8

HB69LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB74INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB77SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Retherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB80SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB87COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEYS (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB89AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB98CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students
STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB102 SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017

HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory
STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB163 PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB166 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB170 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffy)

With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB176 SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB179 IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB181 ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to

students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette)

To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended

HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone)

Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB242 SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB246 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB262 INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB298 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB312 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions
STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB322 SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency
STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB337 TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students
STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB338 BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB342 LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies
STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB343 PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners
STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out

HB360 ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB361 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB363 CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB369 PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB377 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care

STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out

HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees

STATUS: Introduced

HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students

STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee

HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

STATUS: Introduced

HB438 ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions

STATUS: Introduced

HB442 SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents

STATUS: Introduced

HB443 MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula

STATUS: Introduced

HB449 CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university

STATUS: Introduced

[BACK TO TOP](#)

SENATE

SB3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0

SB5 INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1

SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB34 SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB36AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB39COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB54SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB72PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB79STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9

SB82SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB85OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB88SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision

commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB97 REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB104 PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB105 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Reported out

SB111 SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB123 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB124 COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs

STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee

SB133 STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB140 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and

2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation
STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB149 ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections
STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB151 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment
STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee

SB172 HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals
STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB175 RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school
STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB191 ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools
STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB196 AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor
STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee

SB197 SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor
STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB199 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation
STATUS: Introduced

SB203 MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

STATUS: Introduced

SB209 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB213 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB216 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB225 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB226 PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB239 REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

STATUS: Referred to Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB240 REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: Introduced

SB241 ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools
STATUS: Referred to Senate Education Committee

SB246 STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Referred to Senate Finance Committee

[BACK TO TOP](#)



Joe Weitz
Communications & Policy Coordinator
Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
2080 Citygate Drive | Columbus, OH 43219
o: 614.753.4646 | c: 513.405.3839
www.escco.org

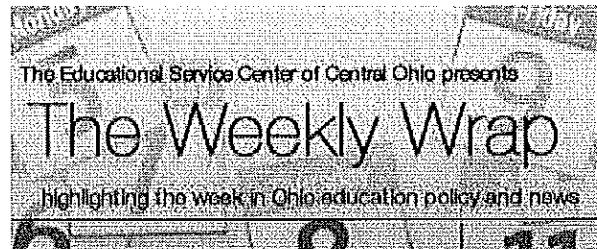
Lead when necessary. Support all stakeholders. Share and leverage resources.

Let's Connect!

This e-mail may contain confidential and/or privileged information and is covered by the Electronic Communications Privacy Act, 18 USC SS 2510-2521. If it does not contain privileged information concerning an ESC employee or student, this e-mail and responses are subject to Ohio public records requests. If you are not the intended recipient (or have this e-mail in error) please notify the sender immediately and destroy this e-mail. Any unauthorized copying, disclosure or distribution of the material in this e-mail is strictly forbidden.

From: Joseph Weitz
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2018 8:18 AM
Subject: Weekly Wrap 1/26/18 - A service of the ESC of Central Ohio - Social-Emotional Learning

Connect with us!



Week of January 26, 2018

Please let Joe know if you have questions, requests, or would like to be added to the distribution list. Thank you.

JUMP TO A SECTION

FEATURED ITEMS

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

Education & Public Policy

Schools

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal/U.S. Department of Education

Educator Effectiveness

School Choice

Personalized Learning Frameworks

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Special Education

Mental Health & Wellness

Social-Emotional Learning

Career- & Postsecondary-Readiness

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Curriculum

OHIO LEGISLATION UPDATE

House Bills

Senate Bills

FEATURED ITEMS

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL LEARNING RECOMMENDATIONS – *The Aspen Institute National Commission on Social, Emotional, and Academic Development convened working groups and visited schools around the country that are using strategies around social-emotional learning and student engagement. The goal is to develop recommendations in research, practice, and policy that will help make social, emotional, and academic learning part of the fabric of every school. The commission, made up of researchers, policymakers and educators, released preliminary findings forging a consensus on why schools need to be more responsive to students' social, emotional, and developmental needs. It also outlined questions yet to be answered before making final recommendations this fall.*

Experts Agree Social-Emotional Learning Matters, and Are Plotting Roadmap on How to Do It – EdWeek

- A national coalition of researchers, policymakers, and educators has forged a consensus on why schools need to be more responsive to students' social, emotional, and developmental needs, and it will now finalize recommendations for how to carry out that vision

How Learning Happens: Supporting Students' Social, Emotional, and Academic Development – Aspen Institute

- The National Commission's Interim Report, "How Learning Happens: Supporting Students' Social, Emotional, and Academic Development" captures the Commission's key takeaways and lessons learned to date, raises the questions we're continuing to ponder, and ends with an invitation for a broad array of stakeholders to engage with the Commission in 2018. Drawing on diverse voices from across the Commission, this report is a milestone in our collective effort to engage communities nationwide in supporting students' comprehensive development

[BACK TO TOP](#)

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

COHHIO Launches Virtual Companion for Runaway, Homeless Youth – Hannah

- Runaway and homeless youth in Ohio now have a new online tool to help them successfully navigate the transition to adulthood, the Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio (COHHIO) announced

CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOLS

City Board to Consider Substitute Levy – Chillicothe Gazette

- The Chillicothe City Schools Board of Education Monday will consider a resolution of necessity to take to voters a substitute tax levy that would replace the current emergency levy expiring at the end of this year

Substitute Levy Expected to Lower Chillicothe School District Taxes – Chillicothe Gazette

- Chillicothe City School District voters should expect to pay a little less in taxes if they choose to approve a substitute tax levy expected to appear on the May ballot

Locals Deal with Impact of ECOT Closure – Chillicothe Gazette

- Chillicothe City Schools Superintendent Jon Saxton said he believes around 80 or 90 students live in the district but are enrolled in the ECOT program

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS

Columbus Schools Could Cut 163 Employees Because of Budget Shortfall – Columbus Dispatch

- The layoff recommendation is part of a plan to close a projected budget shortfall that would hit the district starting in the 2020-21 school year, when it would end the year an estimated \$89 million in the red

New Columbus Schools Superintendent to Face Financial Mess and Public Concerns – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus Board of Education met privately again Tuesday to continue going over the secret short list of candidates it has interviewed to become the next superintendent

DUBLIN CITY SCHOOLS

Board Members Play Vital Role for District, Residents – This Week From the Superintendent's Desk

- Todd Hoadley, superintendent of Dublin City Schools, writes that January is School Board Recognition Month which provides their community the opportunity to thank their Dublin City Schools Board of Education members for everything they do for their district

FAIRBANKS LOCAL SCHOOLS

SROs in Place at Fairbanks – Marysville Journal-Tribune

- The school resource officer (SRO) program in Union County is back in action, and the school districts of North Union and Fairbanks are enjoying it

GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CITY SCHOOLS

Rookie Board Members Cite Relevant Experience – This Week

- The newest members of the Grandview Heights school board each have professional experience working for educational institutions -- one as a teacher, the other in finance

Group Will Dedicate Three Months to Facilities Plan – This Week District Notebook

- Andy Culp, superintendent of Grandview Heights City Schools, writes that after more than two years of research, 48 community meetings, 2,600 community touchpoints and multiple surveys that gathered resident feedback, they are now in the decisions phase of the facility planning process

MARYSVILLE SCHOOLS

New Firm Picked to Lead Stadium Renovation – Marysville Journal-Tribune

- The architectural firm responsible for the Marysville High School's stadium parking lot project will not be continuing with involvement in an upcoming facility renovation

NEW ALBANY-PLAIN LOCAL SCHOOLS

Approval of PI Levy Means Five-Year Forecast Changes – This Week Eagle Eye on Education

- Rebecca Jenkins, treasurer and chief financial officers of the New Albany-Plain Local Schools, writes that change is inevitable when making a financial forecast for five years due to many variables, especially this year because of several factors that will create a positive effect for years to come

OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS

Berlin High School Construction on Track – Delaware Gazette

- Faced with an ever-growing student population, the Olentangy Local School District set out in early 2016 to have a fourth high school built and occupied by the start of the 2018-2019 school year

REYNOLDSBURG CITY SCHOOLS

Reynoldsburg School Board Questions State Testing – Columbus Messenger

- The Reynoldsburg City Schools Board of Education feels the public school state testing accountability system is flawed and is seeking a return to local control by school districts

SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS

Council, School Board Leaders See Honor in Service – This Week

- Grove City Council and the South-Western City School District Board of Education each selected new leaders for 2018

WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOLS

Whitehall Early Literacy Campus' 'Intense Focus' Working – This Week

- The district has about 720 students in pre-kindergarten through first grade who attend classes at the Early Literacy Campus, said Ty Debevoise, the district's director of communications and marketing

WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

Worthington School Board Extends Bowers' Contract, Grants Him Raise – This Week

- As Worthington Schools leaders head into a crucial year for responding to the district's rapid growth, they will do so with Superintendent Trent Bowers under contract for at least another six years

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

ODE Offers Assistance to Families Affected by ECOT Suspension – ODE

- The Ohio Department of Education has resources available for families and educators affected by the suspension of ECOT by the ESC of Lake Erie West. Answers to frequently asked questions for families affected by a community school closure are available on the Department's website

Striving Readers Request for Applications Is Open – ODE

- The application for Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy subgrants opened Jan. 19 and closes March 2 at 5 p.m.

Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Subgrant Steps to Apply – ODE

Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Subgrant Application Instructions and Appendices - ODE

Ohio Superintendent of Public Instruction Paolo DeMaria Joins Chiefs for Change Membership – Chiefs for Change

- Chiefs for Change CEO Mike Magee announced today that Ohio Superintendent of Public Instruction Paolo DeMaria has joined the bipartisan network of diverse, bold-thinking state and district education Chiefs

Confirm Roster Verification Participation by Feb. 9 – ODE

- Superintendents at traditional districts, joint vocational and career-technical districts, educational service centers and community schools will receive an email this week requesting that they confirm they will participate in value-added roster verification by Feb. 9. The email will come from support@ohio-k12.org

Newly Updated Curriculum Module Now Available – ODE

- The Ohio Leadership Advisory Council released its updated Curriculum Module to support educators' efforts to create, adapt, adopt or modify curriculum. This module focuses on enhancing effective practices and addresses the core question of what skills and concepts students need to master

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Education & Public Policy

Kasich Addresses Relationship with Mary Taylor, ECOT Debacle, Amazon Bid – Hannah

- He took the opportunity to redouble his call for an Ohio Department of Education (ODE) squarely under the governor's cabinet authority. "We would love to see legislation passed that would do that"

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Schools

ECOT Students Rushing to Other e-Schools But Trickling Back to Districts – Cleveland Plain Dealer

- Students from the just-closed ECOT online charter school have started to land in school districts and other charters, but the numbers remain low and it's too early to tell how well the process is working

Judge Approves Interim Master to Oversee ECOT's Closure – Columbus Dispatch

- Online schools have seen a much greater level of enrollment than Columbus City Schools. Marie Hanna, the superintendent for the for-profit Ohio

Connections Academy, said that from last Friday through Thursday, the school received 1,200 new applicants. And, as of Monday, more than 800 students enrolled and nearly 2,000 began the enrollment process at the for-profit Ohio Virtual Academy

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Ohio State Reaches \$100M Goal to Help Needy Students a Year Early – Columbus Dispatch

- In Ohio State University's case, it means fulfilling a \$100 million pledge to help low- and middle-income students at least a year ahead of schedule

[BACK TO TOP](#)

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal & US Department of Education

The Government Shutdown and K-12 Education: Your Guide – EdWeek

- Below are the answers to some frequently asked questions about what happens because of a government shutdown

Prepared Remarks by U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos to the U.S. Conference of Mayors – USDOE

Betsy DeVos: There's a 'Disconnect' Between K-12 Schools and the Economy – EdWeek

- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos told a group of mayors in Washington on Thursday that there is "a fundamental disconnect between education and the economy"

Report: Trump's DACA Proposal Would Protect 1.8 Million 'Dreamers' – EdWeek

- A forthcoming proposal from President Donald Trump would create a path to citizenship for 1.8 million "Dreamers" who were brought to the U.S. illegally as children, as well as provide billions in new funding for border security and other changes to the nation's immigration system, the Associated Press reported

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Educator Effectiveness

Getting and Keeping Good Teachers – EdWeek Special Report

- From offering child care to building tiny homes, districts are trying out a variety of ways to recruit teachers and keep them around

Reaching Further and Learning More? Evaluating Public Impact's Opportunity Culture Initiative – CALDER

- Public Impact's Opportunity Culture (OC) initiative provides a suite of models aimed at extending the reach of highly effective teachers and has partnered with school districts to implement these interventions in schools. Using administrative data from three partner school districts that collectively include 44 OC schools, we estimate the relationship between OC staffing models and student achievement in math and reading

[BACK TO TOP](#)

School Choice

National School Choice Week: Annual Public Relations Campaign Kicks Off – EdWeek

- The school choice advocacy world this week will crank up its nationwide public-relations/public awareness campaign meant to bring positive attention to the full range of educational choice. Supporters of choice—many of them sporting neon-yellow scarves—will rally in more than 50 cities this week as part of the 8th annual National School Choice Week

The 'V' Word: Why School Choice Advocates Avoid the Term 'Vouchers' – Chalkbeat

- A new poll by the pro-voucher group American Federation for Children is meant to illustrate Americans' support for school choice. But it also offers some insight about how advocates choose how to talk about hot-button education issues

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Personalized Learning Frameworks

An Education Startup You've Never Heard of Is Now in 70% of US School Districts – Business Insider

- If 2017 had any standout education movements, it was personalized learning, a style of instruction that uses technology to tailor instruction to individual kids. A Silicon Valley startup called Kiddom is banking on the trend continuing for the foreseeable future — and it's already in 70% of US school districts

Current to Future State: Issues and Action Steps for State Policy to Support Personalized, Competency-Based Learning – iNACOL

- In this report, iNACOL articulates a vision for the future of K-12 education and offers action steps for state policymakers. Its purpose is to inspire state policymakers, including governors, state legislators, state boards of education, state school chiefs and state policy staff with a vision for transformation and to provide specific steps, policy strategies and recommendations for enabling personalized, competency-based education

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

The Millennial Generation: A Demographic Bridge to America's Diverse Future – Brookings

- With an emphasis on its unique racial diversity, this report examines the demographic makeup of millennials for the nation, the 100 largest metropolitan areas, an all 50 states

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Special Education

Racial Disparities in Special Ed.: How Widespread Is the Problem? – EdWeek

- Are too many minority students being placed into special education who don't need to be there? And, once enrolled, are they kept in isolated classrooms or punished more severely than their peers?

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Mental Health & Wellness

All That Smartphone Time May Be Making Teens Unhappy – HealthDay

- Teens who are glued to their smartphones and other devices are unhappier than those who spend less time on digital media, new research finds

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Social-Emotional Learning

Experts Agree Social-Emotional Learning Matters, and Are Plotting Roadmap on How to Do It – EdWeek

- A national coalition of researchers, policymakers, and educators has forged a consensus on why schools need to be more responsive to students' social, emotional, and developmental needs, and it will now finalize recommendations for how to carry out that vision

How Learning Happens: Supporting Students' Social, Emotional, and Academic Development – Aspen Institute

- The National Commission's Interim Report, "How Learning Happens: Supporting Students' Social, Emotional, and Academic Development" captures the Commission's key takeaways and lessons learned to date, raises the questions we're continuing to ponder, and ends with an invitation for a broad array of stakeholders to engage with the Commission in 2018. Drawing on diverse voices from across the Commission, this report is a milestone in our collective effort to engage communities nationwide in supporting students' comprehensive development

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Career- and Postsecondary-Readiness

New Bid to Overhaul College Admissions – Inside Higher Ed

- In recent years, a number of high school districts and a few states have moved to require high school students to complete much more sophisticated projects to assess their eligibility for a high school diploma, and their preparation for college and the world of work

High School Students' Views on Who Influences Their Thinking about Education and Careers – USDOE/IES/NCES

- This Statistics in Brief report uses data from the 2012 follow-up of the High School Longitudinal Study of 2009 to examine who public high school students view as their main influence when considering education after high school and careers

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Towards a Reskilling Revolution: A Future of Jobs for All – World Economic Forum

- Towards a Reskilling Revolution: A Future of Jobs for All introduces a new approach to identifying reskilling and job transition opportunities, including those that might not be immediately apparent. Using big data analysis of online job postings, the methodology in this report demonstrates the power of a data-driven approach to discover reskilling pathways and job transition opportunities.

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Curriculum

Project-Based Learning: A Promising Approach to Improving Student Outcomes **MDRC**

- The concept of project-based learning (PBL) has garnered wide support among a number of K-12 education policy advocates and funders. PBL is viewed as an approach that enables students to develop the “21st century competencies” — cognitive and socioemotional skills — needed for success in college and careers. A recent MDRC working paper, Project-Based Learning: A Literature Review, draws measured conclusions: It finds that the approach holds promise for improving students’ outcomes but that much remains to be learned about its effectiveness and about how its implementation can be strengthened

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

HOUSE

HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out

HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out

HB14AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB21COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB37SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB40GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB47STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB49OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017

HB51DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB53PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB58CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

STATUS: Re-referred to House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB66TENURED TEACHING REQUIREMENTS (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 86-8

HB69LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB74INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB77SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Rutherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB80SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB87 COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEY (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB89 AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB98 CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB102 SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017

HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB163 PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB166 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB170 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey)

With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB176 SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB179 IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB181 ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended

HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB242 SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB246 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB262 INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a

proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB298 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB312 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB322 SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB337 TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB338 BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB342 LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB343 PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out

HB360 ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB361 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB363 CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB369 PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB377 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care

STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out

HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees

STATUS: House Health Committee

HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students

STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee

HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee

HB438 ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB442 SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB443 MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB449 CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB477 ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools

STATUS: Introduced

[BACK TO TOP](#)

SENATE

SB3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0

SB5 INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1

SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB34 SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB36 AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB39 COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB54 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB72 PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB79 STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's

cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9

SB82SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB85OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB88SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB97 REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB104 PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB105 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

STATUS: Senate Education Committee -- Reported out

SB111 SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB123 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB124 COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs

STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee

SB133 STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB140 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB149 ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB151 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment

STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee

SB172 HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB175 RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB191 ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB196 AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee

SB197 SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB199 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Introduced

SB203 MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB209 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB213 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB216 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB225 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB226 PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee - Reported out

SB239 REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB240 REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: Introduced

SB241 ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB246 STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

[BACK TO TOP](#)



Joe Weitz 

Policy & Communications Coordinator

Educational Service Center of Central Ohio

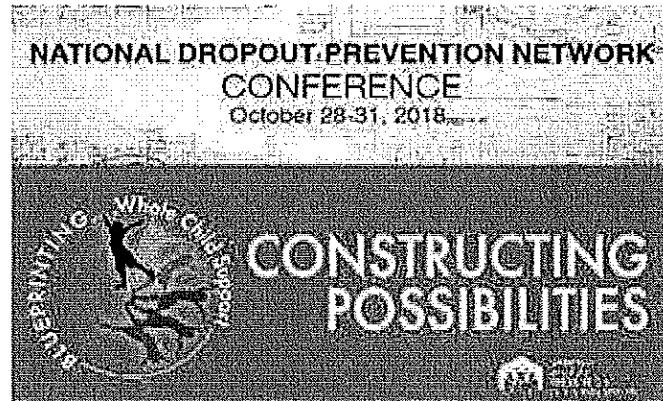
2080 Citygate Drive | Columbus, OH 43219

o: 614.753.4646 | c: 513.405.3839

www.escco.org

From: Joseph Weitz
Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 6:36 AM
Subject: Weekly Wrap 2/2/18 - A service of the ESC of Central Ohio

Connect with us!



Week of February 2, 2018

Please let Joe know if you have questions, requests, or would like to be added to the distribution list. Thank you.

JUMP TO A SECTION

OHIO

[Central Ohio Schools](#)

[Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education](#)

[Education & Public Policy](#)

[Postsecondary & Workforce Development](#)

[Reports](#)

NATIONAL/WORLD

[Federal/U.S. Department of Education](#)

[Education Policy & Finance](#)

[Educator Effectiveness](#)

[Tech Infrastructure](#)

[Charter Schools](#)

[Diversity, Equity & Inclusion](#)

[Achievement Gaps](#)

[Special Education](#)

[English Learners](#)

[School Safety & Discipline](#)

Early Learning
Career- & Postsecondary-Readiness
Postsecondary & Workforce Development
Data

OHIO LEGISLATION UPDATE
House Bills
Senate Bills

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

Report Shows Neediest Central Ohio Areas by Zip Code – Columbus Dispatch

- Households in several Columbus and Franklin County ZIP codes continue to struggle with rent and utility payments, while others need food assistance, according to study released Monday

HandsOn Central Ohio 2-1-1 Counts 2018 – Thoughtwell

- Thoughtwell merged important secondary data with original referral data from HandsOn Central Ohio, Columbus's 2-1-1 operator, at the zip code level to lend insight and granularity to local conditions in Columbus. 2-1-1 Counts highlights 10 indicators measuring quality of life, comparing 13 zip code groups from around Franklin County to compare and contrast conditions and need among residents in our community. In addition to this blended data analysis, the report also includes questions for readers to consider regarding how community needs are met, spurring follow-up questions and conversation

New Law Boosts Tech Curriculum – This Week

- Local education leaders have expressed enthusiasm for a bill aimed at increasing opportunities for students to study computer science in Ohio high schools

BEXLEY CITY SCHOOLS

Bexley Forum One Step toward ‘Better’ Goal on Special Education – This Week

- A public forum last week with Bexley City School District Superintendent Kimberly Pietsch Miller and representatives from parent group Bexley Education Stronger Together marked the start of an effort to evaluate and improve special education programs

BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS

School Board Has Full House, Slate – Sunbury News

- Between recognizing all the achievers and the amount of business on the agenda, the Big Walnut Schools Board of Education meeting had a full house and a full slate on Jan. 18

CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOLS

Levy, Restructuring on School Board Agenda – Chillicothe Gazette

- The Chillicothe City Schools Board of Education will address several issues during a special meeting and work session Monday afternoon, including taking the next step toward placing a substitute tax levy on the ballot

Chillicothe School Officials Eye Building Transition Issues – Chillicothe Gazette

- Chillicothe City Schools district officials are exploring how the opening of the new elementary buildings next school year will impact everyone from students to teachers to parents

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS

Emails Suggest Columbus Superintendent Vetting Process Not So Transparent – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus Board of Education has not only been interviewing a secret list of candidates to become the next district superintendent, but it has added names not on the list of 19 applicants it released in December

Columbus School Board Considers Massive Cuts to Deal with Anticipated Deficit – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus Board of Education got its first look at what \$21 million in cuts for next school year looks like, and it isn't pretty

DUBLIN CITY SCHOOLS

Parent University: Substance-Abuse Awareness Program Slated Feb. 6 – This Week

- To help prevent drug and alcohol abuse by youths, Dublin City School District officials are providing a game of hide-and-seek for parents and community members

GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Gahanna-Jefferson Finalizes May Ballot Issue – This Week

- Gahanna-Jefferson school board members unanimously approved a resolution Jan. 25 to place an operating levy and a bond issue on the primary ballot

Gahanna-Jefferson Officials Pin Upgrades on May Issue – This Week

- Voters will find a tax issue on the May 8 ballot that, if approved, would fund a new elementary school and improvements for buildings for K-8 in the Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools

GROVEPORT MADISON LOCAL SCHOOLS

Community Invited to Take Groveport Madison Schools' Online Survey – Columbus Messenger

- Groveport Madison Schools has launched a survey to obtain input from district residents and business owners on a variety of topics

OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS

District Logo, Brand under Microscope – This Week

- The Olentangy Local School District recently launched a branding project that could result in a new logo, among other benefits

OLSD Working on New Brand – Delaware Gazette

- A lot has changed for the Olentangy Local School District over the past two decades since adopting its current logo featuring a silhouette of an older student holding books while standing behind a younger student

Olentangy School Joins FLUency Program – Delaware Gazette

- With flu-associated hospitalizations in Delaware County since Oct. 1 over three times higher than the previous five-year average, a nationwide program aimed at keeping school-aged children healthy during flu season is set to kick off at Alum Creek Elementary School in Lewis Center

SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS

I Know I Can Now Includes SWCS – This Week

- Students at two South-Western high schools will have the opportunity for additional assistance in college and career readiness after Franklin County commissioners approved an expansion of the I Know I Can program

I Know I Can Expands into SWCS – Columbus Messenger

- South-Western City Schools District Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Brad Faust said a new program, funded through the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services, may help students answer those questions

UPPER ARLINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

State of the Schools Will Highlight District Progress – This Week School Notes

- Paul Imhoff, superintendent of Upper Arlington City Schools, writes that community members will have two opportunities to learn more about the exciting and innovative work happening right now in their schools to push them forward and ensure Upper Arlington schools continue to be on the forefront of education

WESTERVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

District Takes Facility Plan to Westerville Residents – This Week

- Westerville City School District leaders want to continue the conversation about updating school facilities

WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

Keegan Calls Bond Timing ‘No-Brainer’ – This Week

- Worthington Schools leaders still have several decisions to make before midsummer, but they are certain they will seek a bond issue on the November ballot

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

Professional Learning Resources to Support Ohio’s Revised Gifted Operating Standards Available – ODE

- To help Ohio school districts meet these requirements, the Ohio Leadership Advisory Council (OLAC) offers free professional learning resources developed by nationally recognized experts in gifted education

FY18 Career Technical Concentrator Data Appeal Window Now Open – ODE

- Superintendents of traditional districts, community schools and joint vocational school districts required to report career-technical education follow-up data in EMIS can review the students included in their 2018 March (D) lists from Monday, Jan. 29 through Friday, Feb. 23

2018 Federal Quota Registration of Blind Students Registration Form Deadline Extended to March 1 – ODE

- Each registered student must have a current eye report, issued in 2015 or later, on file in the student’s district of attendance. The submission deadline for the registration form included in the packet has been extended to March 1

Reviewers Needed for Striving Readers Grant Applications – ODE

- The Department is seeking experts in language and literacy development and education to read and score Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy subgrant applications

Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Focus Group Sessions – ODE

- The Department's Office for Early Learning and School Readiness invites early childhood professionals to take part in one of the upcoming Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Focus Group sessions via a virtual meeting space

ODE Announces Summer Food Service Program Plans – ODE

- With the help of numerous sponsoring agencies and stakeholders, the Summer Food Service Program works to feed thousands of children in Ohio. Since 2014, Ohio has increased participation in the program by 10 percent

College Credit Plus Funding Application – ODE/ODHE

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Education & Public Policy

Closing of ECOT Halts State Collection of \$53.6 Million School Owes – Columbus Dispatch

- ECOT's closure has brought a halt to state efforts to recover millions in improperly spent tax dollars

ECOT Closure Doesn't Block Recovery of \$80 Million, State Superintendent Says: Ohio Has "Other Options" – Cleveland Plain Dealer

- Ohio has "other options" to recover money from ECOT, even though the controversial online school has closed, State Superintendent Paolo DeMaria told the state school board Monday

Tuition Trust Keeps Higher Education at Forefront amid Federal Policy Shift – Hannah

- Federal lawmakers substantially expanded the scope of college savings accounts in last year's tax overhaul, letting Americans spend up to \$10,000 per year for K-12 expenses as well. The state agency overseeing the Ohio-sponsored 529 accounts welcomes the chance to bring more people into the fold, but says post-high school learning will remain the focus of its efforts

New Ohio Law Focuses on Computer Science, Lets Students Avoid Algebra 2 – EdWeek

- An Ohio law signed recently by Gov. John Kasich will create state standards for teaching computer science and coding to K-12 students, in a move that supporters argue will have a long-term payoff for the state's economy and workforce

Union for Non-Teaching School Employees Suing to Block Freeze of Retirement Benefits – Columbus Dispatch

- The union representing school-bus drivers, cafeteria workers, janitors and other non-teaching school employees filed a lawsuit Thursday seeking to block a three-year cost-of-living freeze imposed on its retirees by the School Employees Retirement System

Ohio's Future Prosperity Tied to Educational Attainment, Experts Say – Hannah

- Legislative, K-12, higher education and business leaders convened Wednesday to highlight Ohio's lagging educational attainment and discuss ways to get more degree and credentials into the hands of Ohioans

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Public Universities Struggle as Ohio, Other States Put Brakes on Funding – Columbus Dispatch

- Across the country, state funding for higher education grew by just 1.3 percent from 2017 to 2018, a sign that states are struggling to sustain revenue streams needed to support colleges and universities, experts say

Ohio's Future Prosperity Tied to Educational Attainment, Experts Say – Hannah

- Legislative, K-12, higher education and business leaders convened Wednesday to highlight Ohio's lagging educational attainment and discuss ways to get more degree and credentials into the hands of Ohioans

College Credit Plus Funding Application – ODE/ODHE

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Reports

Measuring Up to the Model: A Ranking of State Public Charter School Laws – National Alliance for Public Charter Schools/Western Michigan University

- For the second year in a row, the 2018 rankings measure each state's charter school law against the National Alliance's updated model charter school law, New Model Law for Supporting the Growth of High-Quality Public Charter Schools: Second Edition, released in October 2016. The Ninth Edition of Measuring Up to the Model ranks public charter school laws in 44 states and the District of Columbia. Each law receives a score based on 21 essential metrics, flexibility, accountability, and equity

- Ohio was ranked 23 out of 45 states

[BACK TO TOP](#)

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal & US Department of Education

Trump Likely to Propose Big Changes to Education Research Budget – EdWeek

- The Trump administration's budget, due out next month, is likely to combine three significant research programs--the State Longitudinal Data System program, the Regional Educational Laboratory Program, and the Comprehensive Centers--advocates with knowledge of the proposal said

Trump Calls on Congress to Help 'Dreamers,' Bolster Borders – EdWeek

- There was almost no mention of K-12 schools in the speech, including Trump's favorite issue: school choice. Trump did ask lawmakers to enact paid family leave, and gave a quick nod to the importance of career and technical education

Our Nation's English Learners - USDOE

- Information about the characteristics and location of ELs in the following story map may help inform decisions about the provision of instructional supports and services for these students. These figures represent the latest look at ELs across the country, primarily using publicly available data for the 2014–15 and 2009–10 school years. See figure notes for specific data sources

USDOE Personnel Announcement – USDOE

- U.S. Department of Education announced today one new hire and additional personnel announcements

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Education Policy & Finance

Here Are the Teachers' Unions' Arguments in the Supreme Court Case on Union Fees – EdWeek

- As the two major national teachers' unions brace for a U.S. Supreme Court case that could cause a major blow to their membership numbers and revenue, they laid out their arguments in support of public-sector workers being mandated to pay monthly union fees

Did New Evaluations and Weaker Tenure Make Fewer People Want to Become Teachers? A New Study Says Yes – Chalkbeat

- Now a new study is among the first to suggest that this concern has become a reality, showing that after states put in place new evaluation and tenure rules, the number of new teaching licenses issued dropped substantially — a finding that researchers said suggests fewer people were interested in the job

Thinking Long Term: State Graduation Rate Goals under ESSA – Achieve

- This brief examines long-term goals for improving graduation rates included in states= 2 submitted ESSA plans as of January 2018; for states whose plans were approved by the U.S. Department of Education at the time of publication, the analysis is based on the long-term goals in their final plans

Thinking Long Term: State Academic Achievement Goals under ESSA – Achieve

- This brief examines state-defined long-term goals for improving achievement in states= 2 ESSA plans as of January 2018; for states whose plans were approved by the U.S. Department of Education at the time of publication, the analysis is based on the long-term goals in their final plans

With DACA in Limbo, Teachers Protected by the Program Gird for the Worst – New York Times

- One of nearly 9,000 educators protected under the Obama-era Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA, Ms. Reyes has struggled to explain to her students, through sign language and pictures, the uncertainty of her future

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Educator Effectiveness

Did New Evaluations and Weaker Tenure Make Fewer People Want to Become Teachers? A New Study Says Yes – Chalkbeat

- Now a new study is among the first to suggest that this concern has become a reality, showing that after states put in place new evaluation and tenure rules, the number of new teaching licenses issued dropped substantially — a finding that researchers said suggests fewer people were interested in the job

Finding Time for Collaborative Planning – ERS

- Making the shift from traditional professional development to Connected Professional Learning implies significant change both at the system level and in schools. Ideally, school leaders can build from rigorous, standards-aligned curricula and count on a group of talented educators who are invested in the growth process. But even in the best of circumstances, one stubborn challenge can confound even the most seasoned principal: "How do we find enough time for meaningful collaborative planning?"

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Tech Infrastructure

School Agencies and Districts Do Crummy Job of Protecting Website Visitor Security and Privacy – THE Journal

- Among the problems: a lack of support for secure browsing, widespread use of tracking and surveillance tools provided by online advertising companies and too little disclosure of the use of those trackers and tools. The project was undertaken by EdTech Strategies, a consultancy that researches education technology, innovation and policy

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Charter Schools

Growth of Charter Schools Is Slowing Down. Here's What's Behind the Trend – EdWeek

- Since 2013, that growth rate has dropped sharply and some of the possible culprits are familiar: high real estate costs, teacher shortages, and politics

Measuring Up to the Model: A Ranking of State Public Charter School Laws – National Alliance for Public Charter Schools/Western Michigan University

- For the second year in a row, the 2018 rankings measure each state's charter school law against the National Alliance's updated model charter school law, New Model Law for Supporting the Growth of High-Quality Public Charter Schools: Second Edition, released in October 2016. The Ninth Edition of Measuring Up to the Model ranks public charter school laws in 44 states and the District of Columbia. Each law receives a score based on 21 essential metrics, flexibility, accountability, and equity

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Culturally Responsive Teaching: A Promising Approach – But ‘Evidence-Based’? – New America

- Consequently, decision-makers seeking to implement a culturally responsive intervention at their district or school – whether a training workshop, coaching session, or policy change – may have no way of distinguishing between interventions that work and interventions that don't

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Achievement Gaps

Is There a Gifted Gap? Gifted Education in High-Poverty Schools – Fordham Institute

- To address these issues, researchers Christopher Yaluma and Adam Tyner examined the extent to which access to and participation in gifted programs vary for different groups of students, particularly in high-poverty schools

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Special Education

How ESSA and IDEA Support College and Career Readiness for Students with Disabilities: Considerations for States - AIR

- As states consider ways to increase the number of youth who are college and career ready, they must ensure that students with disabilities are able to succeed. States can promote college and career readiness (CCR) by equipping students with the knowledge and competencies needed to enter postsecondary education, join the workforce, and lead full and independent lives. Despite advances in improving CCR for students with disabilities, a great deal of work is needed to help more students achieve their full potential

[BACK TO TOP](#)

English Learners

Our Nation’s English Learners - USDOE

- Information about the characteristics and location of ELs in the following story map may help inform decisions about the provision of instructional supports and services for these students. These figures represent the latest look at ELs across the country, primarily using publicly available data for the

2014–15 and 2009–10 school years. See figure notes for specific data sources

[BACK TO TOP](#)

School Safety & Discipline

Alternative School Discipline Strategies – ECS

- This Policy Snapshot highlights trends in the use of restorative practices and positive behavioral supports and interventions

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Early Learning

Workforce of Today, Workforce of Tomorrow: The Business Case for High-Quality Childcare – US Chamber of Commerce Foundation

- For American business, advancing high-quality childcare is a winning proposition. It's a wise investment in America's future—strengthening business today while building the workforce we'll depend on tomorrow and for decades to come

Early Enrichment Programs May Boost Odds Poor Kids Go to College – Reuters

- Low-income children who receive educational support in school and at home from preschool through third grade may be more likely to get a college degree than their peers who don't get extra help during their early years, a U.S. study suggests

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Career- and Postsecondary-Readiness

Shaping the Future of Readiness: A Discussion and Facilitation Guide – KnowledgeWorks

- Due to the magnitude of change on the horizon, no one organization or system can address future readiness needs on its own. The level and pace of change require both long-term thinking and cross-sector action. This discussion and facilitation guide aims to assist community conveners in supporting meaningful multi-sector and action-oriented discussions that lead to concrete next steps that support future workforce development

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Why Are Women Still Choosing the Lowest Paying Jobs? – The Atlantic

- The vocational programs that tend to attract females also lead to the least-lucrative professions. That's hurting them—and the economy

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Data

Roadmap for Cross-Agency Data Governance – Data Quality Campaign

- Data governance provides state agencies a structure in which to define the roles and responsibilities needed to ensure clear processes for collecting and reporting education data and to ensure accountability for data quality and security. To make informed policy decisions across agencies, such as the state education agency and early childhood, higher education, and workforce agencies, cross-agency data governance is needed. This roadmap provides recommendations for states who are looking to develop and implement a high-quality cross-agency data governance committee

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

HOUSE

HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out

HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is

included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out

HB14AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB21COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB37SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB40GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB47STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB49OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017

HB51DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB53PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB58CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB66TENURED TEACHING REQUIREMENTS (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 86-8

HB69LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB74INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB77SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Rutherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB80SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB87COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEY (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB89AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB98CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB102 SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017

HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB163 PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB166 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB170 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey)

With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB176 SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB179 IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB181 ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended

HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB242 SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB246 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB262 INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB298 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees
STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB312 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions
STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB322 SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency
STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB337 TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students
STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB338 BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB342 LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies
STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB343 PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners
STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out

HB360 ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB361 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB363 CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB369 PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB377 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care

STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out

HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees

STATUS: House Health Committee

HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and

PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students

STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee

HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee

HB438 ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB442 SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB443 MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB449 CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with

a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB477 ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools

STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB487 RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property

STATUS: Introduced

HB488 PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

STATUS: Introduced

HB491 SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel

STATUS: Introduced

[BACK TO TOP](#)

SENATE

SB3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0

SB5 INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1

SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB34 SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB36 AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB39 COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB54 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB72 PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB79 STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9

SB82 SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Substitute bill accepted

SB85 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB88 SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB97 REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB104 PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB105 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Reported out

SB111 SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB123 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB124 COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs

STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee

SB133 STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB140 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB149 ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB151 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment

STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee

SB172 HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB175 RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB191 ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB196 AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee

SB197 SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB199 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Introduced

SB203 MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB209 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB213 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public

transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB216 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Substitute bill accepted

SB225 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB226 PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee - Reported out

SB239 REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted

SB240 REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: Introduced

SB241 ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB246 STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

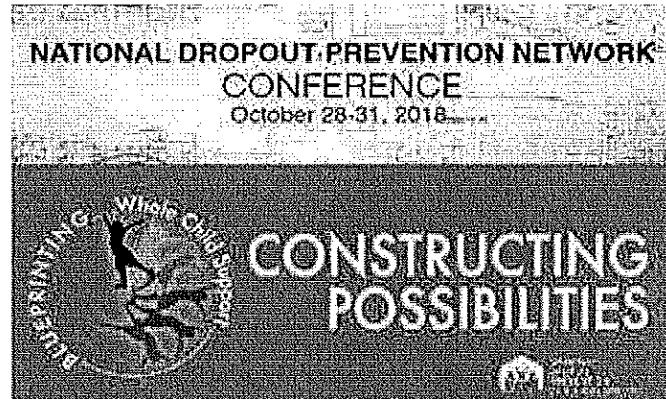
[BACK TO TOP](#)



Joe Weitz ●●●
Policy & Communications Coordinator
Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
2080 Citygate Drive | Columbus, OH 43219
o: 614.753.4646 | c: 513.405.3839
www.escco.org

From: Joseph Weitz
Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 6:36 AM
Subject: Weekly Wrap 2/2/18 - A service of the ESC of Central Ohio

Connect with us!



Week of February 2, 2018

Please let Joe know if you have questions, requests, or would like to be added to the distribution list. Thank you.

JUMP TO A SECTION

OHIO

[Central Ohio Schools](#)

[Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education](#)

[Education & Public Policy](#)

[Postsecondary & Workforce Development](#)

[Reports](#)

NATIONAL/WORLD

[Federal/U.S. Department of Education](#)

[Education Policy & Finance](#)

[Educator Effectiveness](#)

[Tech Infrastructure](#)

[Charter Schools](#)

[Diversity, Equity & Inclusion](#)

[Achievement Gaps](#)

[Special Education](#)

[English Learners](#)

[School Safety & Discipline](#)

Early Learning
Career- & Postsecondary-Readiness
Postsecondary & Workforce Development
Data

OHIO LEGISLATION UPDATE
House Bills
Senate Bills

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

Report Shows Neediest Central Ohio Areas by Zip Code -- Columbus Dispatch

- Households in several Columbus and Franklin County ZIP codes continue to struggle with rent and utility payments, while others need food assistance, according to study released Monday

HandsOn Central Ohio 2-1-1 Counts 2018 – Thoughtwell

- Thoughtwell merged important secondary data with original referral data from HandsOn Central Ohio, Columbus's 2-1-1 operator, at the zip code level to lend insight and granularity to local conditions in Columbus. 2-1-1 Counts highlights 10 indicators measuring quality of life, comparing 13 zip code groups from around Franklin County to compare and contrast conditions and need among residents in our community. In addition to this blended data analysis, the report also includes questions for readers to consider regarding how community needs are met, spurring follow-up questions and conversation

New Law Boosts Tech Curriculum – This Week

- Local education leaders have expressed enthusiasm for a bill aimed at increasing opportunities for students to study computer science in Ohio high schools

BEXLEY CITY SCHOOLS

Bexley Forum One Step toward 'Better' Goal on Special Education – This Week

- A public forum last week with Bexley City School District Superintendent Kimberly Pietsch Miller and representatives from parent group Bexley Education Stronger Together marked the start of an effort to evaluate and improve special education programs

BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS

School Board Has Full House, Slate – Sunbury News

- Between recognizing all the achievers and the amount of business on the agenda, the Big Walnut Schools Board of Education meeting had a full house and a full slate on Jan. 18

CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOLS

Levy, Restructuring on School Board Agenda – Chillicothe Gazette

- The Chillicothe City Schools Board of Education will address several issues during a special meeting and work session Monday afternoon, including taking the next step toward placing a substitute tax levy on the ballot

Chillicothe School Officials Eye Building Transition Issues – Chillicothe Gazette

- Chillicothe City Schools district officials are exploring how the opening of the new elementary buildings next school year will impact everyone from students to teachers to parents

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS

Emails Suggest Columbus Superintendent Vetting Process Not So Transparent – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus Board of Education has not only been interviewing a secret list of candidates to become the next district superintendent, but it has added names not on the list of 19 applicants it released in December

Columbus School Board Considers Massive Cuts to Deal with Anticipated Deficit – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus Board of Education got its first look at what \$21 million in cuts for next school year looks like, and it isn't pretty

DUBLIN CITY SCHOOLS

Parent University: Substance-Abuse Awareness Program Slated Feb. 6 – This Week

- To help prevent drug and alcohol abuse by youths, Dublin City School District officials are providing a game of hide-and-seek for parents and community members

GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Gahanna-Jefferson Finalizes May Ballot Issue – This Week

- Gahanna-Jefferson school board members unanimously approved a resolution Jan. 25 to place an operating levy and a bond issue on the primary ballot

Gahanna-Jefferson Officials Pin Upgrades on May Issue – This Week

- Voters will find a tax issue on the May 8 ballot that, if approved, would fund a new elementary school and improvements for buildings for K-8 in the Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools

GROVEPORT MADISON LOCAL SCHOOLS

Community Invited to Take Groveport Madison Schools' Online Survey – Columbus Messenger

- Groveport Madison Schools has launched a survey to obtain input from district residents and business owners on a variety of topics

OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS

District Logo, Brand under Microscope – This Week

- The Olentangy Local School District recently launched a branding project that could result in a new logo, among other benefits

OLSD Working on New Brand – Delaware Gazette

- A lot has changed for the Olentangy Local School District over the past two decades since adopting its current logo featuring a silhouette of an older student holding books while standing behind a younger student

Olentangy School Joins FLUency Program – Delaware Gazette

- With flu-associated hospitalizations in Delaware County since Oct. 1 over three times higher than the previous five-year average, a nationwide program aimed at keeping school-aged children healthy during flu season is set to kick off at Alum Creek Elementary School in Lewis Center

SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS

I Know I Can Now Includes SWCS – This Week

- Students at two South-Western high schools will have the opportunity for additional assistance in college and career readiness after Franklin County commissioners approved an expansion of the I Know I Can program

I Know I Can Expands into SWCS – Columbus Messenger

- South-Western City Schools District Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Brad Faust said a new program, funded through the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services, may help students answer those questions

UPPER ARLINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

State of the Schools Will Highlight District Progress – This Week School Notes

- Paul Imhoff, superintendent of Upper Arlington City Schools, writes that community members will have two opportunities to learn more about the exciting and innovative work happening right now in their schools to push them forward and ensure Upper Arlington schools continue to be on the forefront of education

WESTERVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

District Takes Facility Plan to Westerville Residents – This Week

- Westerville City School District leaders want to continue the conversation about updating school facilities

WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

Keegan Calls Bond Timing ‘No-Brainer’ – This Week

- Worthington Schools leaders still have several decisions to make before midsummer, but they are certain they will seek a bond issue on the November ballot

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

Professional Learning Resources to Support Ohio’s Revised Gifted Operating Standards Available – ODE

- To help Ohio school districts meet these requirements, the Ohio Leadership Advisory Council (OLAC) offers free professional learning resources developed by nationally recognized experts in gifted education

FY18 Career Technical Concentrator Data Appeal Window Now Open – ODE

- Superintendents of traditional districts, community schools and joint vocational school districts required to report career-technical education follow-up data in EMIS can review the students included in their 2018 March (D) lists from Monday, Jan. 29 through Friday, Feb. 23

2018 Federal Quota Registration of Blind Students Registration Form Deadline Extended to March 1 – ODE

- Each registered student must have a current eye report, issued in 2015 or later, on file in the student’s district of attendance. The submission deadline for the registration form included in the packet has been extended to March 1

Reviewers Needed for Striving Readers Grant Applications – ODE

- The Department is seeking experts in language and literacy development and education to read and score Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy subgrant applications

Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Focus Group Sessions – ODE

- The Department's Office for Early Learning and School Readiness invites early childhood professionals to take part in one of the upcoming Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Focus Group sessions via a virtual meeting space

ODE Announces Summer Food Service Program Plans – ODE

- With the help of numerous sponsoring agencies and stakeholders, the Summer Food Service Program works to feed thousands of children in Ohio. Since 2014, Ohio has increased participation in the program by 10 percent

College Credit Plus Funding Application – ODE/ODHE

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Education & Public Policy

Closing of ECOT Halts State Collection of \$53.6 Million School Owes – Columbus Dispatch

- ECOT's closure has brought a halt to state efforts to recover millions in improperly spent tax dollars

ECOT Closure Doesn't Block Recovery of \$80 Million, State Superintendent Says: Ohio Has "Other Options" – Cleveland Plain Dealer

- Ohio has "other options" to recover money from ECOT, even though the controversial online school has closed, State Superintendent Paolo DeMaria told the state school board Monday

Tuition Trust Keeps Higher Education at Forefront amid Federal Policy Shift – Hannah

- Federal lawmakers substantially expanded the scope of college savings accounts in last year's tax overhaul, letting Americans spend up to \$10,000 per year for K-12 expenses as well. The state agency overseeing the Ohio-sponsored 529 accounts welcomes the chance to bring more people into the fold, but says post-high school learning will remain the focus of its efforts

New Ohio Law Focuses on Computer Science, Lets Students Avoid Algebra 2 – EdWeek

- An Ohio law signed recently by Gov. John Kasich will create state standards for teaching computer science and coding to K-12 students, in a move that supporters argue will have a long-term payoff for the state's economy and workforce

Union for Non-Teaching School Employees Suing to Block Freeze of Retirement Benefits – Columbus Dispatch

- The union representing school-bus drivers, cafeteria workers, janitors and other non-teaching school employees filed a lawsuit Thursday seeking to block a three-year cost-of-living freeze imposed on its retirees by the School Employees Retirement System

Ohio's Future Prosperity Tied to Educational Attainment, Experts Say – Hannah

- Legislative, K-12, higher education and business leaders convened Wednesday to highlight Ohio's lagging educational attainment and discuss ways to get more degree and credentials into the hands of Ohioans

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Public Universities Struggle as Ohio, Other States Put Brakes on Funding – Columbus Dispatch

- Across the country, state funding for higher education grew by just 1.3 percent from 2017 to 2018, a sign that states are struggling to sustain revenue streams needed to support colleges and universities, experts say

Ohio's Future Prosperity Tied to Educational Attainment, Experts Say – Hannah

- Legislative, K-12, higher education and business leaders convened Wednesday to highlight Ohio's lagging educational attainment and discuss ways to get more degree and credentials into the hands of Ohioans

College Credit Plus Funding Application – ODE/ODHE

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Reports

Measuring Up to the Model: A Ranking of State Public Charter School Laws – National Alliance for Public Charter Schools/Western Michigan University

- For the second year in a row, the 2018 rankings measure each state's charter school law against the National Alliance's updated model charter school law, New Model Law for Supporting the Growth of High-Quality Public Charter Schools: Second Edition, released in October 2016. The Ninth Edition of Measuring Up to the Model ranks public charter school laws in 44 states and the District of Columbia. Each law receives a score based on 21 essential metrics, flexibility, accountability, and equity

- Ohio was ranked 23 out of 45 states

[BACK TO TOP](#)

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal & US Department of Education

Trump Likely to Propose Big Changes to Education Research Budget – EdWeek

- The Trump administration's budget, due out next month, is likely to combine three significant research programs--the State Longitudinal Data System program, the Regional Educational Laboratory Program, and the Comprehensive Centers--advocates with knowledge of the proposal said

Trump Calls on Congress to Help 'Dreamers,' Bolster Borders – EdWeek

- There was almost no mention of K-12 schools in the speech, including Trump's favorite issue: school choice. Trump did ask lawmakers to enact paid family leave, and gave a quick nod to the importance of career and technical education

Our Nation's English Learners - USDOE

- Information about the characteristics and location of ELs in the following story map may help inform decisions about the provision of instructional supports and services for these students. These figures represent the latest look at ELs across the country, primarily using publicly available data for the 2014–15 and 2009–10 school years. See figure notes for specific data sources

USDOE Personnel Announcement – USDOE

- U.S. Department of Education announced today one new hire and additional personnel announcements

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Education Policy & Finance

Here Are the Teachers' Unions' Arguments in the Supreme Court Case on Union Fees – EdWeek

- As the two major national teachers' unions brace for a U.S. Supreme Court case that could cause a major blow to their membership numbers and revenue, they laid out their arguments in support of public-sector workers being mandated to pay monthly union fees

Did New Evaluations and Weaker Tenure Make Fewer People Want to Become Teachers? A New Study Says Yes – Chalkbeat

- Now a new study is among the first to suggest that this concern has become a reality, showing that after states put in place new evaluation and tenure rules, the number of new teaching licenses issued dropped substantially — a finding that researchers said suggests fewer people were interested in the job

Thinking Long Term: State Graduation Rate Goals under ESSA – Achieve

- This brief examines long-term goals for improving graduation rates included in states= 2 submitted ESSA plans as of January 2018; for states whose plans were approved by the U.S. Department of Education at the time of publication, the analysis is based on the long-term goals in their final plans

Thinking Long Term: State Academic Achievement Goals under ESSA – Achieve

- This brief examines state-defined long-term goals for improving achievement in states= 2 ESSA plans as of January 2018; for states whose plans were approved by the U.S. Department of Education at the time of publication, the analysis is based on the long-term goals in their final plans

With DACA in Limbo, Teachers Protected by the Program Gird for the Worst – New York Times

- One of nearly 9,000 educators protected under the Obama-era Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA, Ms. Reyes has struggled to explain to her students, through sign language and pictures, the uncertainty of her future

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Educator Effectiveness

Did New Evaluations and Weaker Tenure Make Fewer People Want to Become Teachers? A New Study Says Yes – Chalkbeat

- Now a new study is among the first to suggest that this concern has become a reality, showing that after states put in place new evaluation and tenure rules, the number of new teaching licenses issued dropped substantially — a finding that researchers said suggests fewer people were interested in the job

Finding Time for Collaborative Planning – ERS

- Making the shift from traditional professional development to Connected Professional Learning implies significant change both at the system level and in schools. Ideally, school leaders can build from rigorous, standards-aligned curricula and count on a group of talented educators who are invested in the growth process. But even in the best of circumstances, one stubborn challenge can confound even the most seasoned principal: "How do we find enough time for meaningful collaborative planning?"

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Tech Infrastructure

School Agencies and Districts Do Crummy Job of Protecting Website Visitor Security and Privacy – THE Journal

- Among the problems: a lack of support for secure browsing, widespread use of tracking and surveillance tools provided by online advertising companies and too little disclosure of the use of those trackers and tools. The project was undertaken by EdTech Strategies, a consultancy that researches education technology, innovation and policy

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Charter Schools

Growth of Charter Schools Is Slowing Down. Here's What's Behind the Trend – EdWeek

- Since 2013, that growth rate has dropped sharply and some of the possible culprits are familiar: high real estate costs, teacher shortages, and politics

Measuring Up to the Model: A Ranking of State Public Charter School Laws – National Alliance for Public Charter Schools/Western Michigan University

- For the second year in a row, the 2018 rankings measure each state's charter school law against the National Alliance's updated model charter school law, New Model Law for Supporting the Growth of High-Quality Public Charter Schools: Second Edition, released in October 2016. The Ninth Edition of Measuring Up to the Model ranks public charter school laws in 44 states and the District of Columbia. Each law receives a score based on 21 essential metrics, flexibility, accountability, and equity

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Culturally Responsive Teaching: A Promising Approach – But ‘Evidence-Based’? – New America

- Consequently, decision-makers seeking to implement a culturally responsive intervention at their district or school – whether a training workshop, coaching session, or policy change – may have no way of distinguishing between interventions that work and interventions that don't

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Achievement Gaps

Is There a Gifted Gap? Gifted Education in High-Poverty Schools – Fordham Institute

- To address these issues, researchers Christopher Yaluma and Adam Tyner examined the extent to which access to and participation in gifted programs vary for different groups of students, particularly in high-poverty schools

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Special Education

How ESSA and IDEA Support College and Career Readiness for Students with Disabilities: Considerations for States - AIR

- As states consider ways to increase the number of youth who are college and career ready, they must ensure that students with disabilities are able to succeed. States can promote college and career readiness (CCR) by equipping students with the knowledge and competencies needed to enter postsecondary education, join the workforce, and lead full and independent lives. Despite advances in improving CCR for students with disabilities, a great deal of work is needed to help more students achieve their full potential

[BACK TO TOP](#)

English Learners

Our Nation’s English Learners - USDOE

- Information about the characteristics and location of ELs in the following story map may help inform decisions about the provision of instructional supports and services for these students. These figures represent the latest look at ELs across the country, primarily using publicly available data for the

2014–15 and 2009–10 school years. See figure notes for specific data sources

[BACK TO TOP](#)

School Safety & Discipline

Alternative School Discipline Strategies -- ECS

- This Policy Snapshot highlights trends in the use of restorative practices and positive behavioral supports and interventions

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Early Learning

Workforce of Today, Workforce of Tomorrow: The Business Case for High-Quality Childcare – US Chamber of Commerce Foundation

- For American business, advancing high-quality childcare is a winning proposition. It's a wise investment in America's future—strengthening business today while building the workforce we'll depend on tomorrow and for decades to come

Early Enrichment Programs May Boost Odds Poor Kids Go to College – Reuters

- Low-income children who receive educational support in school and at home from preschool through third grade may be more likely to get a college degree than their peers who don't get extra help during their early years, a U.S. study suggests

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Career- and Postsecondary-Readiness

Shaping the Future of Readiness: A Discussion and Facilitation Guide – KnowledgeWorks

- Due to the magnitude of change on the horizon, no one organization or system can address future readiness needs on its own. The level and pace of change require both long-term thinking and cross-sector action. This discussion and facilitation guide aims to assist community conveners in supporting meaningful multi-sector and action-oriented discussions that lead to concrete next steps that support future workforce development

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Why Are Women Still Choosing the Lowest Paying Jobs? – The Atlantic

- The vocational programs that tend to attract females also lead to the least-lucrative professions. That's hurting them—and the economy

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Data

Roadmap for Cross-Agency Data Governance – Data Quality Campaign

- Data governance provides state agencies a structure in which to define the roles and responsibilities needed to ensure clear processes for collecting and reporting education data and to ensure accountability for data quality and security. To make informed policy decisions across agencies, such as the state education agency and early childhood, higher education, and workforce agencies, cross-agency data governance is needed. This roadmap provides recommendations for states who are looking to develop and implement a high-quality cross-agency data governance committee

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

HOUSE

HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out

HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is

included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out

HB14AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB21COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB37SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB40GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB47STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB49OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017

HB51DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB53PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB58CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB66TENURED TEACHING REQUIREMENTS (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 86-8

HB69LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB74INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB77SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Rutherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB80SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB87COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEYS (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB89AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB98CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB102 SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017

HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB163 PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB166 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB170 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey) With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB176 SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB179 IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB181 ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended

HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB242 SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB246 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB262 INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB298 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees
STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB312 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions
STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB322 SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency
STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB337 TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students
STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB338 BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB342 LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies
STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB343 PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners
STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out

HB360 ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB361 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB363 CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB369 PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB377 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care

STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee – Reported out

HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees

STATUS: House Health Committee

HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and

PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students

STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee

HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee

HB438 ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB442 SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB443 MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB449 CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with

a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB477 ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools

STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB487 RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property

STATUS: Introduced

HB488 PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

STATUS: Introduced

HB491 SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel

STATUS: Introduced

[BACK TO TOP](#)

SENATE

SB3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0

SB5 INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1

SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB34 SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB36 AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB39 COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB54 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB72 PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB79 STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9

SB82 SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Substitute bill accepted

SB85 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB88 SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB97 REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB104 PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB105 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Reported out

SB111 SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB123 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB124 COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs

STATUS: Senate Finance Higher Education Subcommittee

SB133 STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB140 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB149 ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB151 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment

STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee

SB172 HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB175 RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB191 ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB196 AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee

SB197 SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB199 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Introduced

SB203 MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB209 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB213 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public

transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB216 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

STATUS: Senate Education Committee – Substitute bill accepted

SB225 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB226 PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee - Reported out

SB239 REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted

SB240 REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: Introduced

SB241 ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB246 STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

[BACK TO TOP](#)



Joe Weitz ● ● ●
Policy & Communications Coordinator
Educational Service Center of Central Ohio
2080 Citygate Drive | Columbus, OH 43219
o: 614.753.4646 | c: 513.405.3839
www.escco.org

From: Paretti, Dominic
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2018 2:01 PM
To: House>All
Subject: Request for Co-Sponsorship – Paid Family and Medical Leave



MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members
FROM: Representative Janine Boyd and Representative Kristin Boggs
DATE: February 5, 2018
RE: Request for Co-Sponsorship – Paid Family and Medical Leave

We will soon introduce legislation to create the Ohio Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program. Today we chose to send this co-sponsor request as this date marks the 25th anniversary of FMLA (Family Medical Leave Act). This legislation will provide 12 weeks of family and medical leave benefits, which will permit individuals to care for a family member, bond with a new child, or address their own serious health condition.

Out of 178 countries worldwide, the United States is one of three that does not provide paid leave to new mothers. So far five states—California, New Jersey, New York, Hawaii and Rhode Island offer some sort of paid leave to men and women who provide care. The federal Family Medical Leave Act provides 12 weeks of leave for family and medical reasons. This time is unpaid and employers with fewer than 50 employees are exempt, which eliminates a large segment of workers. Ohio should lead on the issue of paid leave to grow our economy and allow working people to put family first.

The program will be under the purview of the Department of Job and Family Services. An individual would receive leave insurance benefits for: a health condition which makes him/her unable to perform their job duties; caring for a new child during after birth, adoption, or foster care placement; caring for a child, parent, or spouse who has a serious health condition; or the individual is taking any other leave as authorized by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act. In order to be eligible for program benefits, an individual must file a

claim with ODJFS; must have worked at least 680 hours during the base period; premiums have been withheld and remitted for at least one year; and the leave must be for the above-mentioned purposes.

Once established, program benefits will be paid by assessing premiums on employees. Employers will be required to deduct and withhold premiums from employee's wages. However, an employer may opt to pay the contributions on behalf of employees.

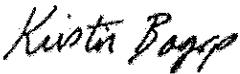
An employee who is covered by an employer policy or collective bargaining agreement that provides the employee with greater leave than that provided by the Family and Medical Leave Act may elect not to participate in the Program in accordance with rules adopted by the Director. An employee who elects to opt out of participating in the Program is not liable for any premium or contribution that would otherwise be due under the Program.

Working people in Ohio should not have to worry about losing their job or falling behind financially just to take care of a sick child or relative; address their own serious health condition; or care for and bond with their newborn child. Ohio cities like Dayton and Cincinnati are leading on leave. By allowing working people to put their family first, we can truly make Ohio a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Dominic Paretti, at 614-644-5079 or via email at Dominic.Paretti@OhioHouse.Gov and Serena Finlay, 614-466-1896 or via email at Serena.Finlay@OhioHouse.Gov. **The deadline to co-sponsor is Friday, March 9 at 4:00pm.**



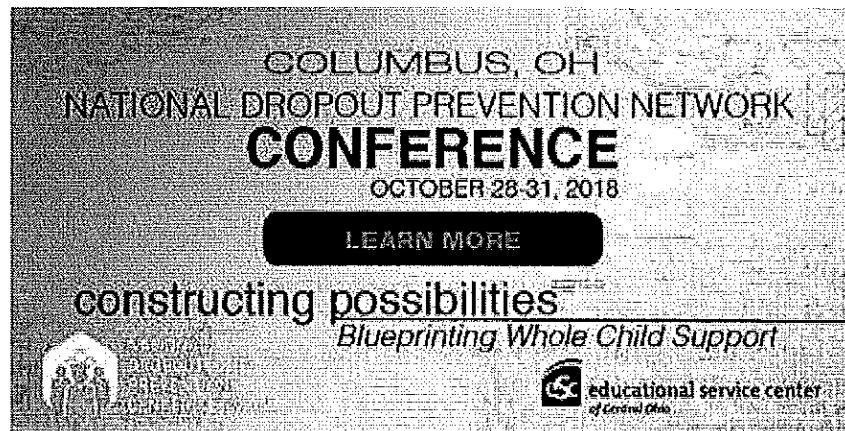
Janine Boyd
State Representative, Ohio House District 09



Kristin Boggs
State Representative, Ohio House District 18

From: Joseph Weitz
Sent: Friday, February 9, 2018 7:52 AM
Subject: Weekly Wrap 2/9/18 - A service of the ESC of Central Ohio - Strong Start to Finish Grant; First-Generation College Students

Connect with us!



Week of February 9, 2018

Please let Joe know if you have questions, requests, or would like to be added to the distribution list. Thank you.

JUMP TO A SECTION

FEATURED ITEMS

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

Education & Public Policy

Schools

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal/U.S. Department of Education

Education Policy & Finance

Educator Effectiveness

Digital Convergence

Personalized Learning Frameworks

Charter Schools

Dropout Prevention & Re-Engaging Youth
Special Education
Mental Health & Wellness
Early Learning
Career- & Postsecondary-Readiness
Postsecondary & Workforce Development

OHIO LEGISLATION UPDATE
House Bills
Senate Bills

FEATURED ITEMS

STATE RECEIVES STRONG START TO FINISH GRANT – *The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE), in partnership with the Inter-University Council and the Ohio Association of Community Colleges, was one of four entities selected nationwide to receive a Strong Start to Finish Grant award. The grant is worth \$2.1 million over three years and includes 13 of the state's public universities and 23 community colleges. The overarching goal of the grant is to get students on successful pathways to college completion while addressing attainment gaps for historically underserved populations. The grant was funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Great Lakes Higher Education Corporation & Affiliates and The Kresge Foundation.*

Department of Higher Education receives \$2.1M 'Strong Start to Finish' Grant – Hannah

- The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE), working in partnership with the Inter-University Council and the Ohio Association of Community Colleges, has been selected to receive a \$2.1 million grant from Strong Start to Finish (SSTF) aimed at getting students on successful pathways to college completion while also addressing attainment gaps for historically underserved populations

ODHE Receives \$2.1M Strong Start to Finish Grant – ODHE

- The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE), working in partnership with the Inter-University Council and the Ohio Association of Community Colleges, has been selected to receive a \$2.1 million grant from Strong Start to Finish (SSTF) aimed at getting students on successful pathways to college completion while also addressing attainment gaps for historically underserved populations

FEDERAL BRIEF EXAMINES FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS – *The U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics released a brief examining college access, persistence and postbachelor's*

outcomes of first-generation college students. The brief's key findings found these students were less likely to enroll in high-level math courses, less likely to enroll in postsecondary education, more likely to leave postsecondary education within three years without a credential, and more.

First-Generation Students: College Access, Persistence, and Postbachelor's Outcomes – USDOE/IES/NCES

- This Statistics in Brief focuses on students whose parents have not attended college and examines these students' high school success and postsecondary enrollment, persistence and degree completion once they enrolled in college, and graduate school enrollment and employment outcomes after they attained a bachelor's degree. Their outcomes are compared to those of their peers whose parents had attended or completed college

First-Generation College Students Face Extra Challenges in High School, Too – EdWeek

- A growing body of research paints a portrait of the added struggles many students can face in college if one or both of their parents didn't have their own postsecondary experiences. But a new research brief highlights the challenges that children of non-college-going parents face while they're still in high school

Success Network – ESC of Central Ohio

- The ESC's Success Network links schools, partners and communities with resources that empower students to excel beyond graduation. Learn more [here](#) and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)

[BACK TO TOP](#)

OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

CHILlicothe CITY SCHOOLS

Districts Struggle with Substitute Driver Shortage – Chillicothe Gazette

- Similar discussions have been conducted during the last two Chillicothe City Schools Board of Education meetings, where shortages exist of not only substitute drivers, but substitute teachers, aides and custodial staffers as well

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS

Columbus School Board to Seek Public Input on Budget Cuts – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus Board of Education moved closer to a plan to cut tens of millions of dollars from the district's budget, with an early March deadline looming to allocate funds to schools and programs next school year

Making No 'Decisions,' Columbus School Board Issues List of 3 Superintendent Finalists – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus Board of Education will officially vote to narrow the list of finalists for district superintendent to three people next week — but it announced who they are Wednesday

No Classmate Left Behind Is Goal of No One Eats Alone Event – Columbus Dispatch

- Helping students to recognize that feeling in others — and to see that the hurt of being isolated is deep and lasting — was the reason that employees from Buckeye Health Plan visited Stewart Alternative in German Village on Thursday to hold a rally for No One Eats Alone Day

DELAWARE CITY SCHOOLS

Board Approves Construction Change Orders – Delaware Gazette

- The Delaware City Schools Board of Education approved a number of change orders to construction projects at its regular meeting Monday as well as several overnight trips and employment changes

DUBLIN CITY SCHOOLS

Emerald Campus: Interior Planning in Hands of 50-Member Committee – This Week

- As officials gear up to open the Dublin City School District's newest building in August, community members are getting an opportunity to be part of the building's interior-design planning

GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Here's What's On the May Ballot – Columbus Dispatch

- Gahanna-Jefferson City School District, two issues seeking a combined property tax increase of 5.5 mills

GROVEPORT MADISON LOCAL SCHOOLS

Hoover Resigns as Groveport Superintendent – This Week

- Bruce Hoover will resign as superintendent of Groveport Madison schools effective Friday, Feb. 9

Groveport Madison Schools' Superintendent Resigns – Columbus Messenger

- Hoover had served as superintendent for eight years. His current contract is set to expire July 31, 2018

HILLIARD CITY SCHOOLS

Hilliard City Schools Program Feeds 'Growth Mindset' – This Week

- Mindset evolved after conversations the teachers had with Superintendent John Marschhausen about the significance of positive mindsets in connection to academic achievement

NORTHRIDGE LOCAL SCHOOLS

Here's What's On the May Ballot – Columbus Dispatch

- Northridge Local School District (parts of Licking, Delaware and Knox counties), a 30-year, one-half-percent income tax, and a 30-year, 2.8-mill additional bond issue to raise more than \$842,000 annually for permanent improvements, construction and renovations

Shrinking Northridge Hopes Levy Can Stabilize District – Newark Advocate

- Despite being located in a growing county, Northridge Local Schools student population has dropped more than 20 percent in the past decade

OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS

Oilentangy BOE Presented with Demographic Update – Delaware Gazette

- Based on projected student population numbers presented to the Olentangy Local Schools Board of Education on Jan. 25, the ever-growing district could see an influx of nearly 3,000 additional students by the time the 2027-2028 school year rolls around

REYNOLDSBURG CITY SCHOOLS

Reynoldsburg School Board on Record for Fewer State Tests – This Week

- With Ohio schools preparing to set aside 15 consecutive days to administer English language tests and another 15 days for math, science and social studies tests beginning in March, most Reynoldsburg Board of Education members support a reduction in the number of state standardized tests

SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS

Officials See Better Marks in Reading – This Week

- The South-Western City School District is showing improvement in the percentage of third-grade students who have reached the benchmark for promotion on the state reading test after their first exam

UPPER ARLINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

State of the Schools: Growth, Cultural Diversity Gain Attention – This Week

- Managing growth and addressing the needs of a diversified student body will be top aims of Upper Arlington schools as administrators and staff members seek to move the district forward

WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOLS

Culture Shock Exchange Program Leads Students to Common Ground – This Week

- The Feb. 1 gathering was a reunion of sorts for the 48 students from Whitehall-Yearling, 32 students from Worthington Kilbourne High School and 40 from Shenandoah High School in the Noble Local School District, about 30 miles southeast of Zanesville

WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

Culture Shock Exchange Program Leads Students to Common Ground – This Week

- The Feb. 1 gathering was a reunion of sorts for the 48 students from Whitehall-Yearling, 32 students from Worthington Kilbourne High School and 40 from Shenandoah High School in the Noble Local School District, about 30 miles southeast of Zanesville

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

State Opens 3-Month School Voucher Window – Hannah

- Ohio's general education school voucher programs started accepting applications Thursday and will do so through April

ODE Offers Guidance for Schools Enrolling Students Displaced by Disaster – ODE

- Widely scattered weather disasters in 2017 displaced thousands of students and families from their homes. A recent report estimates that Ohio will be one of the top 10 states to receive displaced Puerto Rican migrants, and nearly 30,000 people could migrate to Ohio over the next three years

High School Equivalence Test Available from Three Testing Companies – ODE

- The Ohio Department of Education has approved GED, HiSET and TASC to become the testing companies for the Ohio High School Equivalence test

\$8 Million Available through Ohio's Community Connectors Program – ODE

- For the fourth year, Ohio is asking community organizations, faith- or values-based groups, and businesses to form partnerships to encourage one-on-one mentoring for students in Ohio's schools

Data Appeal Window Open for 2018 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Data – ODE

- Today through Wednesday, Feb. 14, superintendents of districts and community schools that educate kindergarten students can review the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) data reported in EMIS during the 2018 school year

State Board of Education February 2018 Meeting Schedule & Voting Agenda – ODE

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Education & Public Policy

Ohio's GOP-Dominated Rural Areas Have Few Charter Schools – Columbus Dispatch

- Ohio Republicans have been the strongest backers of charter schools since they founded the state's groundbreaking pilot program in 1997. But 21 years later, one group is still left out of the charter revolution: the GOP's own constituents

State Launches 'Bridges' Foster Program – Hannah

- Former foster youth can get help with housing, employment and health care under a new program launched this week by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) and the Child and Family Health Collaborative of Ohio (CFHCO)

Ohio Schools React to Proposed Nutrition Guideline Changes – State Impact Ohio

- Monday is the final day to comment on proposed changes to federal nutrition standards for school meals. The Trump administration proposed the changes meant to give schools increased flexibility after it said school officials and food providers struggled to meet the standards

Lawmakers, Coalition Reach Deal on New Ohio Congressional Redistricting Plan – Columbus Dispatch

- Republicans, Democrats and a coalition of redistricting-reform advocates reached a deal to put a proposal on the May ballot aimed at curtailing partisan gerrymandering of Ohio's congressional map

Lawmakers, Coalition Reach Congressional Redistricting Deal – Hannah

- After weeks of negotiations, state legislators and members of the Fair Districts=Fair Elections Coalition hammered out a compromise plan to reform the congressional redistricting process

The Inside Story on Ohio's Redistricting Deal – Columbus Dispatch

- Ohio voters will decide in May whether to approve significant changes to Ohio's partisan congressional redistricting process, the result of a bipartisan legislative agreement that not long ago seemed highly unlikely

Senate Passes Legislation to Make Sales Tax Holiday Permanent – Hannah

- The Senate Wednesday unanimously passed legislation that would make Ohio's sales tax holiday in August permanent, something the sponsor said is needed so lawmakers don't have to scramble to get it done every year

Rosenberger Announces Ohio Corps Mentorship Pilot for Opioid-Threatened Youth – Hannah

- House Speaker Cliff Rosenberger (R-Clarksville) threw his weight behind pending legislation Thursday that would create a general revenue funded (GRF) pilot program at Ohio colleges and universities supporting student mentors to at-risk youth threatened by the opioid epidemic

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Schools

Ohio Schools React to Proposed Nutrition Guideline Changes – State Impact Ohio

- Monday is the final day to comment on proposed changes to federal nutrition standards for school meals. The Trump administration proposed the changes meant to give schools increased flexibility after it said school officials and food providers struggled to meet the standards

Another Ohio Online Charter in Danger of Closing after Losing Sponsor – Columbus Dispatch

- Columbus-based Insight School of Ohio received notice from its sponsor, Buckeye Community Hope Foundation, on Dec. 18 that its charter will be allowed to expire June 30

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Nearly Half of Ohio Workers Hold Jobs Likely to Be Automated in the Future – Columbus Dispatch

- Nearly half of Ohio workers hold jobs that a University of Oxford study has identified as likely to be automated in the future, including tens of thousands of cashiers, truck drivers, fast-food workers and warehouse laborers

Department of Higher Education receives \$2.1M ‘Strong Start to Finish’ Grant – Hannah

- The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE), working in partnership with the Inter-University Council and the Ohio Association of Community Colleges, has been selected to receive a \$2.1 million grant from Strong Start to Finish (SSTF) aimed at getting students on successful pathways to college completion while also addressing attainment gaps for historically underserved populations

ODHE Receives \$2.1M Strong Start to Finish Grant – ODHE

- The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE), working in partnership with the Inter-University Council and the Ohio Association of Community Colleges, has been selected to receive a \$2.1 million grant from Strong Start to Finish (SSTF) aimed at getting students on successful pathways to college completion while also addressing attainment gaps for historically underserved populations

[BACK TO TOP](#)

NATIONAL/WORLD

Federal & US Department of Education

Secretary DeVos Announces New Student-Centered Funding Pilot Program – USDOE

- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos today announced new flexibility for school districts to create equitable, student-centered funding systems under a pilot program authorized by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Pilot Program Offers Federal Funding Flexibility to School Districts – Hannah

- Up to 50 school districts across the U.S. could get greater flexibility in spending federal education money under a pilot program announced by the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE)

Betsy DeVos: Outsider Status Has Been 'Asset' in First Year on the Job – EdWeek

- A year ago, as U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos squeaked through a historically tough confirmation process, a lot was made of the fact that she was the first education secretary who hadn't worked professionally in a school or college

Unions Plan 'Day of Action' in Advance of Major U.S. Supreme Court Case – Hannah

- Leaders and members of the country's four largest public sector unions gathered Wednesday to preview a landmark U.S. Supreme Court case and their plans to rally workers ahead of oral arguments on the lawsuit

Parties Gird for Supreme Court Showdown over Union Fees – EdWeek

- Is there any reasonable chance that the teachers' unions and other public-employee labor groups can pull off an unexpected victory in the latest U.S. Supreme Court battle over a 40-year-old precedent that has been a bedrock of their financial and bargaining strength?

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Education Policy & Finance

Performance Pay Can Bring Stronger Teachers into the Classroom – Brookings

- Despite a large research literature on teacher pay-for-performance (PFP), including several randomized experiments, most of this work has failed to address the core question of whether PFP could lead to positive "sorting" effects on the composition of the teaching workforce through attraction, selection, and attrition processes

The Tricky Dance of Researchers and Educators Gets Even More Complex – EdWeek

- In reality, researcher access to data has become an even more complex dance, with an unprecedented flow of education data that is balanced out by heightened concerns about privacy and the potential fallout of negative results, as researchers and officials discussed during the annual conference of the National Center for Analysis of Longitudinal Data in Education Research

Unions Plan 'Day of Action' in Advance of Major U.S. Supreme Court Case – Hannah

- Leaders and members of the country's four largest public sector unions gathered Wednesday to preview a landmark U.S. Supreme Court case and their plans to rally workers ahead of oral arguments on the lawsuit

Parties Gird for Supreme Court Showdown over Union Fees – EdWeek

- Is there any reasonable chance that the teachers' unions and other public-employee labor groups can pull off an unexpected victory in the latest U.S. Supreme Court battle over a 40-year-old precedent that has been a bedrock of their financial and bargaining strength?

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Educator Effectiveness

Performance Pay Can Bring Stronger Teachers into the Classroom – Brookings

- Despite a large research literature on teacher pay-for-performance (PFP), including several randomized experiments, most of this work has failed to address the core question of whether PFP could lead to positive "sorting" effects on the composition of the teaching workforce through attraction, selection, and attrition processes

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Digital Convergence

As Cell Phones Proliferate in K-12, Schools Search for Smart Policies – EdWeek

- The widespread presence of smartphones and the possibility of excessive screen time have raised concerns about negative effects for younger students and encouragement of anti-social behavior

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Personalized Learning Frameworks

5 Ways to Move to Personalized, Competency-Based Education – eSchool News

- A new report from iNACOL examines five key issues that could help improve the future of U.S. K-12 education and increase competency-based education, according to the authors

State Strategies to Develop Teacher Capacity for Personalized, Competency-Based Education – iNACOL

- This issue brief shares state policy recommendations and action steps for policymakers who are supporting the redesign of educator workforce

systems to enable educators to build the skills, competencies and knowledge needed to thrive in modern, student-centered learning environments

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Charter Schools

Charters and the Common Good -- Education Next

- Temple University's Sarah Cordes published a study of New York City schools in the journal Education Next that the Seventy Four says "offers a new perspective on the question of how the swiftly growing number of charter schools (now enrolling over 100,000 students in New York City alone) affects their traditional district counterparts"

Passing Notes: Learning from Efforts to Share Instructional Practices Across District-Charter Lines – Center on Reinventing Public Education

- An increasing number of districts and charter schools are collaborating across sector lines to improve teaching and learning. Our research has identified three core ways districts and charters are partnering to share key instructional practices: 1) colocating schools to encourage learning from each other; 2) creating residencies and fellowships to train teachers and leaders in a particular approach; and 3) sharing resources and providing professional development trainings and workshops

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Dropout Prevention & Re-Engaging Youth

On Track or Falling Behind? How States Include Measures of 9th Grade Performance in Their ESSA Plans – Achieve

- Achieve released a new brief analyzing states' use of indicators of whether students in 9th grade are on track to graduate in their state accountability plans under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Special Education

Preparing for Life after High School: The Characteristics and Experiences of Youth in Special Education. Findings from the National Longitudinal Transition Study 2012. Volume 3: Comparisons Over Time – USDOE/IES/NCEE

- The third report volume from the National Longitudinal Transition Study 2012 (NLTS 2012) presents information on the changes over time in the

characteristics and high school experiences of secondary students participating in special education

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Mental Health & Wellness

Early Facebook and Google Employees Form Coalition to Fight What They Built – New York Times

- A group of Silicon Valley technologists who were early employees at Facebook and Google, alarmed over the ill effects of social networks and smartphones, are banding together to challenge the companies they helped build

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Early Learning

Public Preferences for Targeted and Universal Preschool – Urban Institute

- For the past half century, debate over income-targeted and universal approaches to American preschool policy has divided advocates, policymakers, and practitioners. This is the first paper to inform the debate with evidence from public opinion

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Career- and Postsecondary-Readiness

Fostering Exploration and Excellence in 21st Century Schools – The Economist/Google

- In this report, The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) discusses the results of a study that explores how to best prepare primary and secondary school (referred to in this report as “K-12”) students for the 21st century workplace

Do Student Projects Have a Role in College Admissions? – EdWeek

- Called “Reimagining College Access,” the initiative is being led by the Learning Policy Institute and EducationCounsel, a Washington-based consulting firm. Its aim is to help colleges use more complex gauges of student learning—performance assessments—in admission, course placement, and advising

First-Generation Students: College Access, Persistence, and Postbachelor’s Outcomes – USDOE/IES/NCES

- This Statistics in Brief focuses on students whose parents have not attended college and examines these students' high school success and postsecondary enrollment, persistence and degree completion once they enrolled in college, and graduate school enrollment and employment outcomes after they attained a bachelor's degree. Their outcomes are compared to those of their peers whose parents had attended or completed college

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Postsecondary & Workforce Development

The 9th Graders of 2009, 7 Years Later – Inside Higher Ed

- Nearly three-quarters of ninth graders tracked in a major federal study had received some kind of postsecondary education or training within seven years -- and nearly a quarter of them had left their programs without a credential of any sort

First-Generation Students: College Access, Persistence, and Postbachelor's Outcomes – USDOE/IES/NCES

- This Statistics in Brief focuses on students whose parents have not attended college and examines these students' high school success and postsecondary enrollment, persistence and degree completion once they enrolled in college, and graduate school enrollment and employment outcomes after they attained a bachelor's degree. Their outcomes are compared to those of their peers whose parents had attended or completed college

First-Generation College Students Face Extra Challenges in High School, Too – EdWeek

- A growing body of research paints a portrait of the added struggles many students can face in college if one or both of their parents didn't have their own postsecondary experiences. But a new research brief highlights the challenges that children of non-college-going parents face while they're still in high school

[BACK TO TOP](#)

Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

HOUSE

HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out

HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Local Government, Public Safety & Veterans Affairs Committee – Reported out

HB14 AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB21 COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB37 SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB40 GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

Status: House State & Local Government Committee

HB47 STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB49 OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017

HB51 DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB53 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB58 CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB66 UNDERGRAD MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

STATUS: (Passed by House) Referred to Senate Education Committee

HB69 LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB74 INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for

contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB77SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Retherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB80SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB87COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEYS (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Bill amended

HB89AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB98CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee – Bill amended

HB102 SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017

HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB163 PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB166 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB170 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey)

With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

STATUS: Signed by Governor (12/22/17) – Effective after 90 days

HB176 SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB179 IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB181 ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended

HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB242 SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB246 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB262 INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB298 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB312 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB322 SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB337 TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB338 BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out